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'Lil' Shop' Has Cast Eager to Take on Edgy Roles

ORRHS Drama Club

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

Old Rochester Regional High School senior Jackson Veugen isn't considering a career in dentistry any time soon, but Veugen has embraced his role as Orin, the sadistic dentist in ORR's upcoming spring performance of "Little Shop of Horrors."

The ORR Drama Club will take the stage on March 21, 22 and 23 at 7:00 pm and March 24 at 2:00 pm.

Veugen, who has been involved in drama, did not want the role of this archetype villain at first but now feels the role was meant for him. Veugen auditioned for one of the "plant roles" in this adventure, but director Maxx Domingos had something else in mind for him: Orin.

"I'm glad that happened," Veugen said, but conceded jokingly, "I don't think anyone is supposed to like this character."

Other ORR actors also can relate to their respective characters and are looking forward to bringing the quirky comedy to the stage.

Seniors Jorge Carrillo and Mackenzye Caton will take the stage in their first leading roles. Carrillo will play the lead male Seymour Krelborn, and Caton will play Krelborn's love interest Audrey.

Caton said she remembers watching an old "black and white version" of the musical with her nana. Caton said Audrey was her favorite character, along with the plant-based Audrey II. Caton said her nana will be attending the performance, deepening her emotional ties to the play and the character.

Carrillo said he related to Rick Moranis' portrayal of Seymour.

"He spoke to me, and I loved the lines he delivered. I thought I could fit that character," Carrillo said.

Eloise Casi landed her preferred role as Ronette, a talking urchin.

"I really wanted to be part of the singing ensemble," Casi said, but got more than what she bargained for. "It's fun singing, and I get to be part of the storytelling aspect of the show."

Other principal characters include Aidan Silk as Mr. Mushnik, Emerson Roy as Audrey II (voice), and the following students as urchins: Chloe Bean, Casi, Alia Cusolito, Kennedy McKay, Amanda Tomasso and Emily Wyman.

Music direction will be done by Jenna Kendall and the sound design by John Farrell.

The musical will be Domingos' sixth as director and assistant director's Sarah Whinnem's fifth.

General Admission is $15 and students and senior citizens $12. Tickets are available at the Marion General Store, Isabelle's in Mattapoisett, Friends' Marketplace in Rochester and at the door for all performances. Eventbrite is selling tickets online (small service fee added) at bit.ly/ORRDrama-LittleShop-2024.

On the Cover: *Jorge Carrillo, center, is flanked by Amanda Tomasso, left, and Kennedy McKay, right, during a rehearsal for the Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club's production of "Little Shop of Horrors." Performances are scheduled for Thursday, March 21, Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23 in the ORRHS Auditorium. Photo by Ryan Feeney*

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Holy Ghost Grounds Revival

Holy Ghost Grounds Reuse Committee
By Marilou Newell

As their memories fade into sepia tones like old photographs of childhoods spent working the farm and visiting relatives, the Nunes sisters of River Road, Dottie (Nunes) and Kathy (Hohne), and their cousin Adele Raphael discussed their growing-up years in Mattapoisett via cell phone.

A high point of those years on River Road was the season of summertime feasts and gatherings held at the Holy Ghost Grounds off Park Street. As of 2024, the historical consultant working on the Massachusetts Historical Commission's survey of Mattapoisett's historical/cultural assets has designated the grounds a "priority one" location.

The Nunes descendants are proud to note that their family members were integral members of the now-defunct Holy Ghost Club. Dottie recently shared the original citation granting the organization status as a corporation for the "… purposes of promoting social, instructive and humanitarian progress …" as the Holy Ghost Club of Mattapoisett. What followed were many decades of clambakes and joyful gatherings for people whose overall impact of developing Mattapoisett can't be denied.

From a quick tour through the book "The Early Portuguese Settlers in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts" (Lulu.com 2009) by Nathalie Sylvia Hemingway, we found confirmation that the Holy Ghost Grounds was used as a seasonal meeting place, a place to celebrate religious feast days, and a place where family and friends gathered to rekindle and maintain relationships that cemented primarily Portuguese decedents to their culture and a flourishing community.



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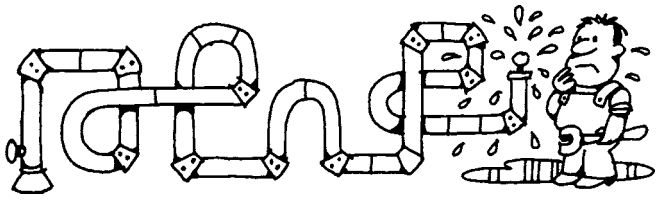
But all things come to an end.

As the original signers of the corporation passed into history, younger descendants did not come forward to continue traditions that the grounds were famous for – food, fun and faith. The corporation sold the property to the YMCA, which later sold it to the Town of Mattapoisett in 2016. Those 5-plus acres are now being evaluated by the town's reuse committee for newer uses as determined by public input.

On March 7, the committee met. There was discussion regarding what has been achieved thus far, a public survey and a public meeting, both of which gave the public the opportunity to share their thoughts and ideas on reuse options.

Shifting through the data collected thus far, the committee will be preparing a master plan that will be presented to the Select Board. They believe one major takeaway is that the community wants a thoughtful but measured approach to reuse options. Passive recreational pursuits such as a walking trail and playground seem to be favored for now.

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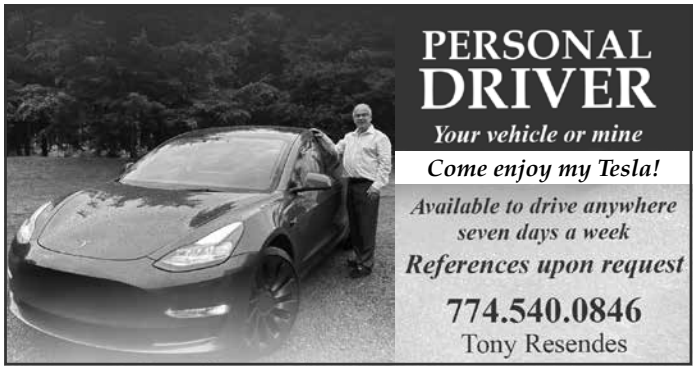
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In January, the committee reported, "A survey that generated some 550 responses (primarily from full or part-time residents) was held between August and September. The survey gauged respondents' positive or negative views on different activities, resulting in a healthy response from a wide range of age groups."

Ray Hanks, chairman of the newly formed Cemetery and Memorials Committee, said it was important to maintain Barlow Cemetery, which is located within the property. Rachel McGourthy, chairman of the Historical Commission, said that the commission was in the second phase of identifying historical assets in the town and that the Holy Ghost Grounds was on the "priority one" list.

Chairman Mike Rosa pointed out that the reuse committee was charged with producing a report that would give the board, "…ideas, costs and who the stakeholders are."

The next meeting of the Holy Ghost Grounds Reuse Committee is scheduled for April 4 at 6:00 pm.

Trying to Remember What I Don't Remember

Thoughts on...

By Dick Morgado

A woman stopped me in the post office the other day to tell me how much she liked my last column. I politely said thank you, though I had no idea what she was talking about. I could not for the life of me remember what I had written only a few days before.

Truth be told, the minute I press the send button on my computer, the essay I had just written is gone out of my mind. There is only so much room in my memory bank to retain all the trivial nonsense I foist upon you every week.

I have always thought I have a pretty good memory, particularly with faces; I never forget one. Unlike one friend of mine who can recall the name of every person he ever met, names for me disappear as quickly as my weekly musings. I still remember my children's names and their birthdays, but for the life of me I cannot tell you what years they were born without doing the math (another skill that is rapidly vanishing from my talent pool).

I remember our anniversary and my wife's birthday, including the year she was born, which she rarely admits to. I seem to remember things that happened years ago better than what occurred recently. Is that a sign of diminished cognitive ability?

There has been a lot of talk about memory loss and cognitive ability in the news these days, especially in the political arena. So, I decided to check out one of these tests that have showed up online lately.

I chose the MoCA (Montreal Cognitive Assessment). Appropriately enough, the first part was about memory. The first question asked me to read five names, then repeat them. They were face, velvet, church, daisy and red. Well, I figured that would be easy since I still remember how to read. I aced it. Then I had to wait

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until the end of the test and say them again, in order, from memory.

The second part, the "Alternating Trail Making," was all about drawing. Now this is my thing, I shouldn't have a problem here. The test showed letters and numbers and asked me to draw a line "going from a number to a letter in ascending order." One to A and 2 to B and so on. Easy, peezy! Things are looking up.

Next, I had to draw a clock (digital clocks don't count) with the numbers set to 10 minutes past 11. No problem. On to the "Abstraction Thinking" section, it asked, "How are an orange and a banana alike?" clarifying that there are "...no second guesses allowed." Then the test asked how a ruler and a watch are alike (remember digital doesn't count). If you said they both had numbers, you'd be wrong. Join the club for the cognitive impaired. The correct answer is they are both measuring instruments.

Next up, it asked me to say as many words as possible in one minute that begin with the letter F except proper names, numbers, words that sound alike, dirty words, foreign words ... whoa, wait, now this was getting complicated. I am a dedicated user of a thesaurus. (Do you think I know all the big words I use in these columns?) This spontaneous stuff is asking too much.

Thankfully the test was coming to an end. One more thing. It was time to repeat those five words from the first section. Boy am I in trouble. I could only recall

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"daisy," which was the name of our dear, departed dog. I know I said I remember any face. I didn't say I could remember the word.

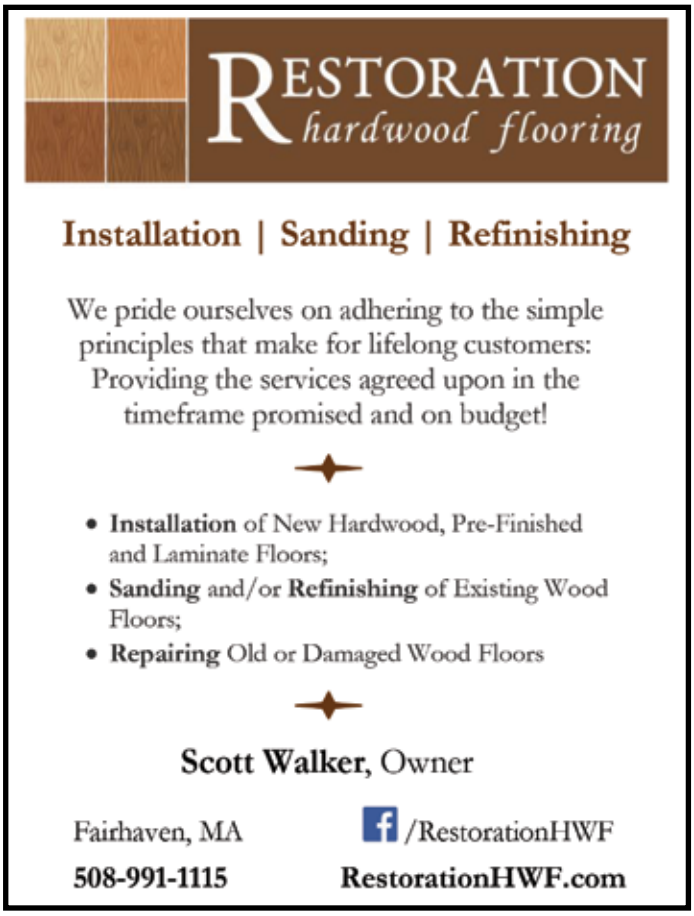
So, there you go. I was too chicken to count up my score. After all, I have no intention of running for president or any public office. If someone stops me to say how much they like this column, I'll just say, "thank you" and be on my way.

Why Do So Many American Women Die From Childbirth?

What Does The Doctor Say?

By Dr. Ed Hoffer

For most of human history, pregnancy and





childbirth was the cause of many women's deaths. In the modern era, this should be an extremely rare event, and in most of the developed world, it is.

About 800 women in the United States die every year during pregnancy, delivery or the six weeks that follow delivery. Our maternal mortality statistics are our shame. Maternal mortality per 100,000 live births is 4.4 in Sweden, 8.0 in France, 9.2 in the United Kingdom and 7.3 in Canada, while in the U.S. it is 26.4.

Globally, maternal mortality has been steadily falling, while in the U.S., it has been rising.

There is a clear racial disparity, with deaths from pregnancy much higher among Black and Native American women than among white, Asian and Hispanic women. For Black women, poorer care compounds their tendency to more of the hypertensive disorders of pregnancy. However, even white women die at a higher rate in the U.S. than in any of our peer-developed countries.

Why is this? Doctors here are often too slow to recognize the importance of even mild, high blood pressure in a pregnant woman and fail to treat it, leading to the dangerous condition called eclampsia.

Because severe complications of pregnancy at any given hospital are rare, most hospitals do not have an organized plan to deal with severe hemorrhage after delivery or embolism of the amniotic fluid (large bubbles of amniotic fluid entering the mother's circulation).

Experts who study maternal deaths estimate that about 70% of the deaths due to hemorrhage, infection or cardiovascular conditions are preventable. California adopted a comprehensive plan to lower maternal deaths, with "best practice" guidelines widely distributed to every hospital and obstetrician and was able to cut its death rate in half between 2006 and 2013.

Additionally, many women die from treatable mental-health problems, notably depression and suicide that are missed often because the new mother is not seen after delivery. While most women bring their infants in for a well-baby visit, many skip their own postpartum check, often because they do not want to take time off from work.



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We should be emulating Sweden and Canada, not Afghanistan and Swaziland.

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Mattapoisett Preps for Town Meeting

Mattapoisett Select Board

By Marilou Newell

During Tuesday night's rather short Mattapoisett Select Board meeting, the members checked calendars and selected dates for a few of the moving parts associated with the Spring Town Meeting.

First and foremost is the actual meeting itself, scheduled for Monday, May 13, at Old Rochester Regional High School auditorium. Although the time was not confirmed, historically Mattapoisett Town Meeting has begun at 6:00 pm.

The warrant will be opened on March 26 and closed on April 9. Information on the process for submitting an article for the warrant is available at the Select Board office.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco said that he knows there will be an article coming from Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior high schools for capital improvements. He said that in 2025 old debt incurred by the school will be "rolling off," allowing new debt to be considered. Lorenco said that this plan has already been approved.

On April 23, the board will meet with the Finance Committee to review the draft warrant, and on April 26 at 3:30 pm, the board will meet to accept the document.

In other business, the board approved the transfer of entertainment and lodging licenses to the new owners of the Inn at Shipyard Park. The board also approved renewal of aquaculture licenses for Robert Field of Copper Farm and Mike Ward of Blue Street. The approvals were for two licenses for each business. The board signed an agreement with Eversource for charging stations to be installed at the Police Station.

The board also met briefly with Highway Surveyor Garrett Bauer to approve a list of obsolete equipment for auction. Those items are: 1995 Ford Super Duty; 1989 Ford 655C backhoe; 2008 Ford F-650; 2011 6-yard Torwell Sander; and a 2008 McConnell Boom Mower.

The board approved the appointment of Nancy Souza to the Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical

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High School District Committee, as well as the resignation of William Wennerberg from the Tree Committee.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, at 6:00 pm.

FY25 to Reform Town Employee Plan

Rochester Finance Committee

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Finance Committee Monday reviewed a new Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan for town employees that will be on the May 13 Annual Town Meeting warrant and will add $19,833 to the FY25 budget.

Presenting the results of her committee's review of the town's current plan, Personnel Board Chairperson Kristine Nash explained that one of the main goals was to line up job classifications for noncontract employees with Personnel Bylaw-contract employees. She said this review found many problems that need to be rectified.

The review discovered that there were no approved job descriptions for these employees, she said. Pay-grade ranges are not the same for people with like duties and responsibilities. Bylaw language is not being followed regarding step advances. Pay percentages between steps are irregular and unequal. Employee steps one and two are rarely used when hiring new employees. The current plan has not been substantially reviewed in 20

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The remedy's first goal was to develop job descriptions for the 21 noncontract town employees not covered by the Personnel Bylaw, and those new descriptions have been completed and approved, Nash said. The next step is the Personnel Board's proposals for a new FY25 Classification and Compensation Plan.

That eight-step plan, she said, would declassify all current employees into clearly defined categories and make grade adjustments to bring parity between positions with the same responsibilities and duties.

The plan would eliminate the word "grades" because current ones are more reflective of individual employees than a classification as the bylaw states it. It would add one step because, Nash said, 50 percent of veteran employees covered by these employees are at the maximum step. It would change the bylaw language regarding how an employee gets a step increase and equalize that increase between all steps to 2.5% between each. It would establish a low, middle and high wage-range for positions in a category and wage ranges utilizing FY24 "grade" ranges for all classified positions.

Nash said Finance Director Suzanne Szyndlar has calculated the cost to implement the new plan for FY25 to be $19,833 because it will affect nine "max" employees and the grade adjustments for six employees.

Nash concluded her presentation by noting "the 21 employees in this new plan represent the heart and soul of the town. But because they are 'non-bylaw' employees, they don't feel heard. This will give them their voice."

In other action, the Finance Committee approved Chairman Kris Stoltenberg's motion to recommend a FY25 Cost of Living Increase of 2.5%, lower than the 3% amount that the committee had previously approved.

Szyndlar then reported the reason for this change. She said the next fiscal year's budget currently shows a $55,700 deficit between expenses and revenues.

The town has seen a 3.41% revenue increase, but school-budget request increases are higher. Rochester Memorial School's request is a 6.63% budget increase. Old Rochester Regional High School's request is a 4.84% increase, despite the fact the town is sending five fewer students there this fiscal year. Szyndlar said she and Town Administrator Glenn Cannon are planning to meet with school officials to revisit these requests. Stoltenberg said the committee will want to meet with the Highway, Police and Fire departments at its next meeting to discuss their budget requests.

The Rochester Finance Committee is scheduled to meet next on Monday, March 25, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

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Beach Parking Lot Plan in Works

Marion Community Preservation Committee

By Mick Colageo

The days of no longer needing an all-terrain vehicle to navigate the Silvershell Beach parking lot are being imagined on a scale that saw the Marion Community Preservation Committee unanimously vote during its annual public hearing to recommend a $77,000 investment in an engineering study.

"For years and years and years, we've been trying to do something with Silvershell Beach," said Select Board representative Randy Parker, citing the "opportunity to set up a transit … get some elevations … get a plan. … We don't have to implement the plan right away, (but this measure would) get some of that money in return back to the taxpayers."

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over the past three storms since November," said Town Administrator Geoff Gorman, pointing to "puddles and significant erosion damage. … We've had a lot of internal discussion … the entire parking lot needs to be regraded."

The reason the project does not fall under basic operational-budget commitments is because the state's Community Preservation Act takes 2% on the town tax roll after a project's first $100,000. Parker says under the CPA funding scenario, a vote at the May 13 Annual Town Meeting "saves the Marion taxpayer a bundle of money to enjoy the beach."

That task has fallen largely on the Department of Public Works on a Band-Aid basis.

"There would be no parking lot at all if not for the DPW," said Gorman, calling the new effort a "once-in-a-generation improvement for the beach. Because it's owned by the Recreation Department, it's a good ask."

The 100-car parking lot is surrounded by jurisdictional waterways. There is "a lot more red tape," said Gorman, presenting on behalf of the Recreation Department. The goal, he said, is to "get the cost of the entire upgrade and figure out how to pay for it."

The $77,000 engineering project would come out of the open space reserve, and the remaining approved CPA projects would come from the undesignated CPC balance ($652,000). As in the case of most of the CPA projects recommended by the committee, the completion date will be no later than June 30, 2025.

A notable exception to the 2025 timeline is the $120,000 that the CPC voted to recommend for right-of-way easements to the Marion Shared Use (bike) Path. Because of the nature of how municipal easements work, Parker recommended the committee stipulate that the funding deadline be extended out to June 30, 2026.

The town-designed bike path is at a 100% design stage and was submitted to MassDOT last November. The state agency has made comments, and the town is presently working off of those comments. The next big step after the 100% design is acquisition of the temporary and permanent easements. There are six temporary and multiple permanent easements not yet acquired that must be appraised and either purchased or received by donation from the owners.

The committee chaired by Jeff Doubrava and including Parker, Ellen Bruzelius, Alanna Nelson, Debbie Ewing, Toby Ast, Brian McSweeny and Andrew Daniel voted to recommend six other CPA-funded projects, all with a June 30, 2025, spending deadline.

The smallest CPA request, $5,470 for installation of an irrigation system for the children's garden next to Sippican Elementary School, happened to be the one identified by the committee as a model project for CPA funding. "I think this is a great example of CPA funding," said Doubrava, and Ewing called it a "no-brainer."

"We hope to get this done this summer," said project representative Margie Baldwin, describing an

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"old, antiquated system there" in an "area enjoyed by the public."

The Marion Shared Use Bike Path Engineering Update was voted a $75,000 boost in CPA funding that combined with a $47,000 payment would make whole the engineering group for completed engineering work based on an original bid of $349,000 in 2016.

State-related delays out of the engineers' control cost them $224,000 in excess expenditures. Nonetheless, Gorman said the town anticipates no more requests from the outside. Gorman also noted that he requested a Mass Trails grant that, if awarded, would cut the CPC grant-match request down to $15,000.

The Boatyard Park Boundary Survey and Sign Posting will be recommending $11,750 in CPA funding, the amended pitch made by Marion Conservation Commission member Shaun Walsh, who explained the bump from the original $7,100 request based on the need for more permanent boundary markers. An engineering firm provided a revised estimate.

The goal of the project is to protect visitors from unintentionally trespassing on private properties bordering the Boatyard Park property off Point Road.

The committee voted to recommend $28,925 to the Bird Island Lighthouse Engineering project. The lighthouse has not been restored since 1997 and situated amidst harsh elements is in need of a professional assessment. The landmark is on the National Historic Registry and contains much in the way of custom work. The town hopes to realize some of that funding via private donations.

DPW Cemetery Records Management Software was recommended $16,744.

The one project voted a recommendation that did not come from a town agency was $30,000 from the Sippican Historical Society for "blue plaque" historical markers on sites, all on public property. The original $45,000 request, explained SHS representative Alanna Nelson, was revised to not include curriculum development.

No vote was needed for the CPC to accept the withdrawal of a previous town request for the digitization of town records, a project that Gorman reported will be grant funded. During the process, Doubrava learned that digitization of town records is categorically ineligible for CPA funding. Gorman noted that the town can designate historic files and apply on that basis but not in general.

Doubrava reported that Open Space Acquisition Commission Chairman John Rockwell requested an extension of another year of previously approved funding, but since the March 8 agenda had already been posted, CPC action would require an additional public meeting.

The next meeting of the Marion Community Preservation Committee is scheduled remotely for Friday, March 15, at 5:00 pm via Microsoft Teams.

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Board Stands Firm on Bio-Hydraulic Fluids

Rochester Planning Board

By Michael J. DeCicco

Rochester's Planning Board Tuesday delayed signing the draft decision to allow Blue Wave Solar and BWC Snows Pond LLC to build a solar-energy array at 0 Cushman Road after the applicant's representatives raised concerns about one of the decision's conditions.

BWC Snows Pond LLC Managing Director of Solar Operations Aaron Simms, appearing on Zoom, asked for an alternative to complying with the condition that contractors on site use equipment only with bio-hydraulic fluids.

Simms said vendors have all told the company the same thing, that meeting this requirement is hard to do. The contractor hired for such a relatively small operation would have to drain all their hydraulic equipment, he said, a burdensome, expensive process that lead vendors to not even bid for the job. The size of the operation would not make it worth the effort.

"A larger firm could handle it," Simms said. "I am not confident they would be interested in a project of this size."

Simms asked if instead the company could fund a bond to front the risk of a fluid spill into the groundwater "for any issue that might come up," he said.

Planning Board members were firmly against any compromise.

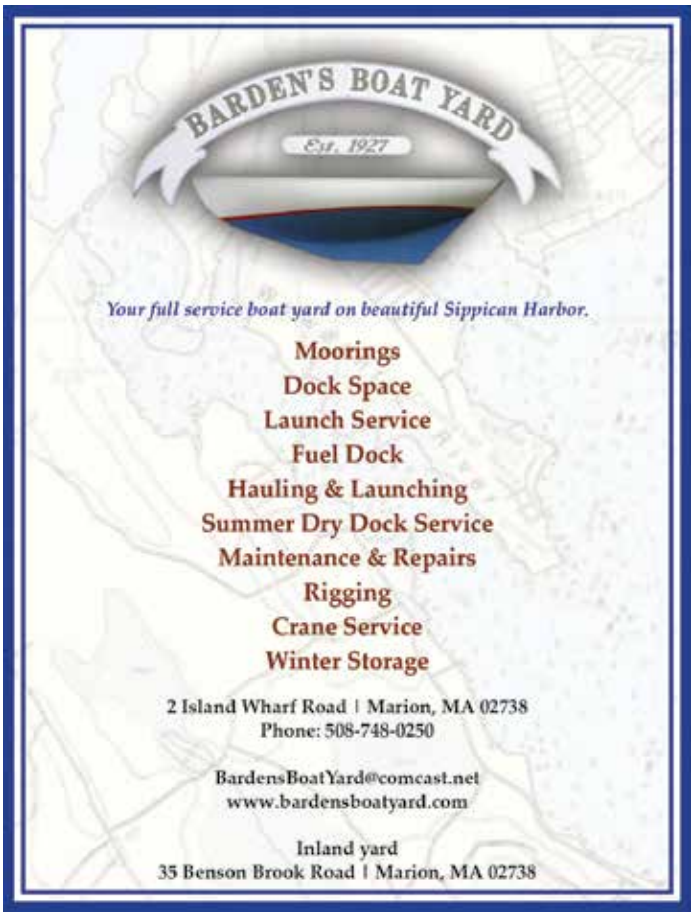
"You being in a groundwater protection district requires this condition," Planning Board Chairman Arnold Johnson said. "No one has been given a pass on this before. Ninety-eight percent of our homes are on wells. Our job is to protect the townspeople's wells."

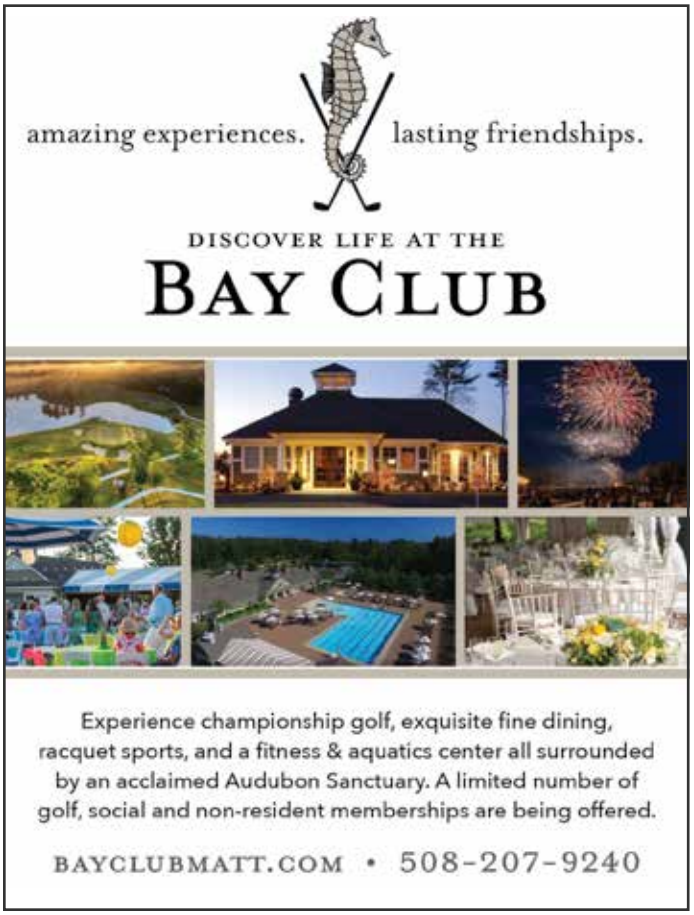
Johnson noted, however, language could be added to make an exception for smaller equipment, specifically skid-steel loaders and pile drivers. "Nothing bigger than that," he said.

Simms asked if a designated equipment size could be the exception. Johnson said no. "We haven't made any exceptions with solar projects before," he said.

Simms and the project's engineering consultant Andrew Hamel, who was attending in person, then







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quietly agreed to have this lone exception added to the draft decision. "So now we will wait to see the revised language," Hamel said.

Concerned abutters of the 31-acre parcel where the 12.55-acre solar array will be built in a Residential/Agricultural District and a Mattapoisett River Valley Watershed and Groundwater Protection District were again in attendance, but Johnson said he could not let them speak because the public hearing had closed.

Johnson noted that once a decision has been filed, complainants or the applicant will have 20 days to appeal that decision. The Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals will then judge whether it was an appropriate determination but would be unable to change the decision language.

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In other action, the Planning Board endorsed an Approval Not Required application for a plan to sell off land at 52 Wolf Island Road. From the house lot there, 2.5 acres are being sold off, and a 6-acre bog is being sold to the Buzzards Bay Coalition.

The board also endorsed an ANR application to modify an internal lot of around 40,000 square feet at County Road and Cranberry Highway for a proposed self-storage building project there.

Upon the applicant's request, the board continued its hearing into the Site Plan Review application for JPF Development's plan to construct a 15-acre self-storage facility at Kings Highway and Route 28 until March 26.

The board agreed to contract Ken Motta of Field Engineering to review the Planning Board's rules and regulations at a cost of "up to $3,500."

The board discussed one of the Zoning Bylaw articles it will submit for the May 13 Annual Town Meeting warrant, a bylaw change to regulate the battery systems installed at solar-array projects. Johnson said specific language for this article is not necessary before the warrant deadline of March 22, only "place-holder" language. The board intends to have the specific article ready for its next meeting.

The Rochester Planning Board will meet next on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

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MRV Water District Commission/Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee

By Mick Colageo

In his Water Treatment Plant update during Tuesday's monthly meeting of the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission, Tata & Howard engineer Jon Gregory summarized the past couple of months of final review regarding the main elements of a construction project that later this year will replace a long-standing, water-filtration system with new, state-of-the-art equipment for the plant that services Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Marion and, to a lesser extent, Rochester.

Skids, lead items, membranes, final shop drawings and conference calls with Kovalus (formerly Koch Separation Systems) were referenced, and Gregory said that approval has been finalized so the skids are in production. UV disinfection, a meeting with Atlantium Technologies and a review of system requirements were noted.

The MRV is working with an electrical subconsultant. When ready, Phase 2 design details will be submitted for Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection approval.

Tata & Howard is also working with the MRV on a system-bypass plan for during the construction, and each town is providing its own water-testing results.

The MRV anticipates an on-schedule delivery of the skids in September or October, but that will require verification.

In his Water Treatment Plant update, MRV District Commission Vice Chairman Henri Renauld said the plant is running "okay" but recently had some problems including a backwash valve that affected some communities. The matter has been straightened out, and a new valve is coming to the plant. Renauld has been very happy with the work provided by DG Services to fix the heaters.

In his Treasurer's Report to the commission, Renauld said February was a small month with a $12,352 expense for sodium hydroxide and several small bills totaling $32,307.14. The commission voted to approve.

The first quarterly, raw-water, pumping meeting with the subcommittee of 2024 will be held on April 9 at 3:00 pm, 30 minutes before the next scheduled meeting of the MRV committee and commission.

Gregory said Tata & Howard is waiting for preparation of a transcript in order to move forward with the appellate review of a water-meter litigation case. The company is angling for FY25 chemical bids for the district in May.

Member Meghan Davis offered a reminder that the task of arranging an audit of the MRV's annual financial records be completed.

As is always the case, the MRV Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met immediately before

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the commission, and Treasurer Jeff Furtado reported on his research into a certificate-of-deposit (CD) account for the committee's bank account that had a total ending balance of $197,734.28 for February.

Member David Pierce had suggested at the MRV's February meeting that interest rates on CD's have increased, providing an opportunity to capitalize.

Jeff Furtado laid out scenarios with Rockland Trust, the MRV's bank and alternatives offered by others. Given the familiarity and success, the membership felt strongly that the MRV should stick with Rockland Trust and voted to move $100,000 into a four-month CD offering a 5.12% interest rate with a yield of 5.25%.

Renauld suggested the amount, noting that the committee is "still keeping almost $100,000 in operational moneys in case anything comes up that we need to do."

Vinnie Furtado, the chairman of the committee and commission, recommended more than one name on the account. Pierce said the minutes of the vote should also be handed into the bank and recommended an established protocol for certain representatives on the account, including the chairman.

The committee voted its approval.

In other business, the committee voted to approve an ANR application request from Walter Hartley at 52 Wolf Island Road in Rochester. The approval authorizes Vinnie Furtado to write an approval letter saying the MRV takes no issue with the property plan, thus satisfying the Rochester Planning Board's regulations.

Gregory reported that December 2023 river-monitoring data is available, completing the year and putting him in position to put together a 2023 hydrologic river-monitoring report that he will present at the committee's April meeting.

The next meeting of the MRV Water District Commission/Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, at 3:30 pm (committee) and 4:00 pm (commission).

Hard Armoring Denied

Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

During the March 11 meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission, the members heard from David Davignon of Schneider, Davignon & Leone, Inc., representing Derek and Kylene Gregiore for a Notice of Intent filing for property located on Goodspeed Island. The applicants are seeking to build a single-family home. The updated plans presented by Davignon detailed the use of hard armoring of the coastal bank in an effort to guard against continued erosion.

Conservation Commission Chairman Mike King noted that hard-armoring methods and systems were being employed on Nantucket Island, but member David Nicolosi said, "I hate it." There ensued some debate on the virtues and drawbacks of hard armoring.

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Davignon said that sheet metal put in place as erosion control of the coastal bank was worth consideration. He agreed with Environmental Agent Brandon Faneuf that stormwaters could overtop the panel(s), requiring restoration of the bank.

Faneuf wondered aloud, "What if the piling gets exposed?" King responded, "They are not designed to get exposed." He offered that if the commission decided to condition the construction, it could add that any future repairs to the hard-armoring system be done in a timely manner.

Davignon reminded the commission of its power of enforcement, but Nicolosi held fast to his distaste for hard armoring.

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"It's going to erode … the engineering notes scouring … it's a very dynamic area," said Nicolosi, adding that the town does not have a local bylaw, rendering it impossible for the commission to levy fines or place restrictions on activities over and above the Wetlands Protection Act. "There aren't any teeth in enforcement orders."

Nicolosi also pointed to the issue of wave deflection from the sheet-metal panels, ultimately pushing water away from the panels and onto neighboring properties.

King was inclined to continue the NOI for two weeks to give the commission additional time to study the hard-armoring option, but in the end and at Nicolosi's urging hard armoring was denied. King said, "They can appeal our decision to the DEP." An Order of Conditions was issued absent hard armoring but with the condition that coastal-bank work be completed before occupancy.

Also coming before the commission was Sara Quintal of the Buzzards Bay Coalition and Mike Huguenin to discuss the Enforcement Orders put in place after winter storms disabled "The Bogs" irrigation systems from preventing sediment runoff.

On this night, it was noted by Faneuf's assistant, Samantha Carew, that although weather systems have continued to keep groundwater and stormwaters high, The Bogs ditch systems and catchment areas were working. Nicolosi interjected that some water appeared cloudy, suggesting sediment movement, but overall the on-site teams have been responsive.

Huguenin said, given that the BBC has complied, could the Enforcement Orders be lifted. That request was denied pending a decision by the Select Board on whether or not the town will be seeking sediment testing for harmful chemicals on the former agricultural site that may have been released during this winter's flooding episodes.

In other business, Caroline's Way Trust, 0 Goodspeed Island Road's application for the construction of a five-bed, single-family home was conditioned with the additional condition that coastal-bank restoration be completed before occupancy. Also conditioned was a NOI filed by Tracey White, 70 Aucoot Road, for the clearing of some wooded areas for the creation of a lawn and gravel

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A Negative Box 2 decision was granted to Ian Brady for the construction of a detached garage at 1 Mattakiset Road.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, March 25, at 6:30 pm.

Pencil Proposal to Be Heard

Marion Board of Health

By Mick Colageo

Marion Board of Health member Albin Johnson described watching a YouTube video of a beautician



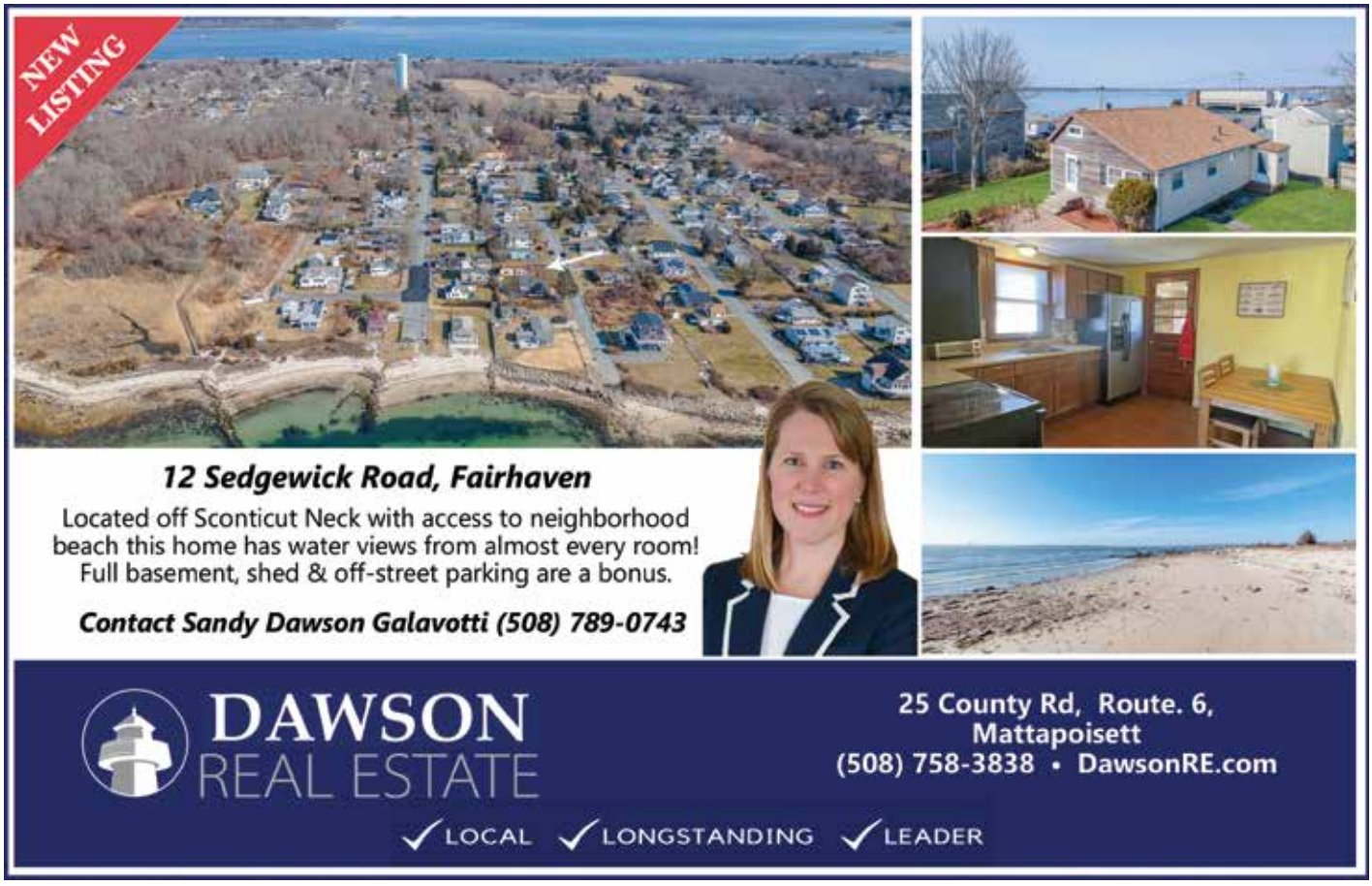
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"scarifying" skin as part of the process of creating eyebrows to be "an eye opener."

Johnson was discussing Health Agent Shallyn Rodriguez's idea that pencils in beauty salons and tattoo parlors be used in this technique only once and noted prior agreement among board members that the town should write a regulation and propose it to state health officials.

"No pun intended, it really is an eye-opener, but it's worth following up. Hepatitis C, particularly, you never know. Whatever viruses are out there, we're getting more and more nervous about it. It's certainly worth talking about. … I'm surprised the state hasn't," said Dr. John Howard, who was acting as chairman of the March 7 Board of Health meeting in Dr. Ed Hoffer's absence.

Taking on the task of composing a municipal regulation, Rodriguez reported that her outreach to surrounding towns to inform her process yielded little. Nonetheless, she recognizes a need.

"It's definitely something that I think needs to be done because – you don't see it a lot around here, a lot of body art. And towns don't realize the impact that pencils actually have," said Rodriguez. "You're putting the pencil on someone's skin, you don't know what type of skin condition they have. Just because you don't see it, it doesn't mean it's not there."

Johnson wondered aloud if it is possible to sanitize a pencil by sharpening it or to sanitize a pencil sharpener. Rodriguez and Health Director Lori Desmarais were in agreement that the tiny, contaminated particles present make either outcome unrealistic.

"There's got to be some infectious-disease expert at Mass General or the Brigham who would have a very strong opinion," Howard suggested.

Two Marion-based establishments practice the use of "scarifying" skin and use pencils in the process similar to a standard technique practiced by tattoo artists.

"On our agenda for (March 21), we have the public hearing to amend the body-art regulations," said Desmarais.

Along with the usage of pencils in contact with human skin, the public hearing will address permitting, which is currently timed two years out from the date of issuance. The new regulation would align these annual permit renewals on the same December 31 schedule kept for all other town-issued permits.

In her update, Desmarais reported that the recommendation came down at the end of February for an additional dose of the current COVID-19 vaccine in people ages 65 and older. Howard advised Desmarais to purchase vaccine to be ready for any requests in accordance with the recommendation.

Howard found interesting the CDC report that flu immunizations were reported at 67% successful in pediatric cases and 40-41% for adults in terms of avoiding outpatient visits or hospitalization.

"That number may not sound great, but it's better than in previous years," said Howard.

Desmarais further reported that among Marion residents who tested positive for the flu this season, none had shown record of immunization.

Plymouth County Mosquito Control recorded 321 requests (total 150 Marion households) for spraying in 2023. That number was down from 531 (222) in 2022.

This year, Desmarais has helped conduct 338 Community EMS visits, monitoring blood pressure among other things and reporting to family members. Howard reported "very positive" feedback and what he sees as an increasing need, calling it "a huge service."

Having attended recent state seminars, Johnson





reasserted his position as a self-described skeptic regarding the state's program to rid the harbors of nitrogen and noted confirmation from the Buzzards Bay Coalition that there has been no testing of groundwater for nitrogen on the mainland side of the Cape Cod Canal.

The Final Septic Betterment Agreement contract has been received and was to be presented to the Select Board the week of the meeting. There are no current applicants, but the process has been legally vetted and is now in place.

According to Desmarais, the previous owner at 38 Rocky Knook Lane was told that an approved Title 5 system would be required or the existing septic system on the property must be pumped. Desmarais reported that she learned that the system was never pumped, but she obtained contact information for new owner Designer Home Properties LLC and sent a letter requesting pumping records or that the owner contact the department within seven days to resolve the situation.

An installer was hired to install a new system and a percolation test was done, but results were not forthcoming as of the March 7 meeting. It is not known if anyone is living on the property.

Regarding 51 Bay Road, Rodriguez obtained pumping records that show it has been three years since the septic at that address has been pumped in accordance with Title 5 recommendation.

Due for a food inspection, Brew Fish restaurant was being renovated.

Rodriguez reported on the Seven-11 under renovation at 711 Mill Street; she said she will go back to ensure all the required upgrades are completed.

The board received a message from a Select Board member to relay to the public that not cleaning up after a dog can result in the spread of disease. Marion has two dog-bag dispensers situated at both Silvershell Beach and Washburn Park and one at Bicentennial Park, Old Landing, Island Wharf and the Cushing Community Center.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Health is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, at 4:45 pm at the Town House Annex Building.

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Committee Upholds Book Decision

Rochester School Committee

By Mick Colageo

An unsuccessful appeal of a book by Rochester resident Sandra Bock was heard by the Rochester School Committee at its February 28 public meeting.

Referencing Policy IJR regarding Reconsideration of Instructional Resources, Old Rochester Regional Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson explained that the book "It Feels Good to be Yourself" by Teresa Thorn had been appealed by Bock to the library standards committee and the school library.

The standards committee, he said, voted unanimously to uphold the decision to continue to carry the book in the Rochester Memorial School Library. Nelson then met with Bock to hear her concerns and upheld the decision of the standards committee. Bock then appealed the Rochester School Committee.

Once the decision is made, instructed Nelson, the policy dictates that reconsideration of the book in question should not occur for the next three years. The committee would vote to uphold the decision to include the book in the RMS library but not unanimously.

"I just want to say compromise, that's what I'm stressing for … this world needs to compromise more," said Bock, who considered the outcome of her appeal to be a complete refusal to reach a compromise. "Maybe I didn't present my case forceful enough, but I am adamant about the damage that this book will instill in youth in the days, the weeks, the months to come. … If indoctrination is a matter of teaching ideology, it's wrong when it misleads students."

Bock, who classifies herself as a career educator, asserted that the book in question misleads children by instructing that there are more than two biological genders.

"That's a fact!" said Bock. "The book says your parents guessed at what you were when you were born. … Kids who have a weak sense of identity tend to be more likely and therefore more successfully brainwashed. The indoctrinated thinking is stated throughout the book until there is acceptance of it without question."

Bock cited professional criticism of the book from Dr. Jason Rafferty, MD (helpingchildren.org), whom she says puts the onus for developing children's identity is the job of the family, not educators.

Bock considers the indoctrination of children into the ideology espoused by the book appealed a form of discrimination. She appealed to the School Committee to compromise by keeping the book off the library shelves and "behind the scenes" or in the adjustment counselor's office. She asked the committee to consider the topic of gender confusion sensitive and not appropriate for an elementary school "where educators are not licensed to answer questions of young children."

Bock insisted that children with access to the book will seek answers as to its meaning from their teachers. "Teachers are influencers, they know everything (in the minds of young learners)," she said.

As an educator, Bock said she has vetted many books that affirmed imagination but not fiction.

At the conclusion of Bock's remarks, Committee Chairperson Sharon Hartley reminded meeting attendees a process exists whereby parents and guardians who wish that their children not have access to a particular book can talk to the librarian.

"We respect our parents, and a parent can request that a student not read or see a certain book, not follow a certain book or a certain collection of books or an author," said Hartley. "Those are possible through the work of our really talented and terrific librarians."

Interrupted with a question from the audience as to how that works, Hartley acknowledged the merit of the question but said the committee was in the middle of a public hearing and public comment would be offered attendees at the end of the meeting agenda.

With that, Hartley invited comment from committee members, and Anne Fernandes asked how parents know what books are in their children's school libraries. Nelson confirmed that the library catalogue is posted on the ORR District website.

Member Robin Rounseville said the book has been through the vetting process. "I feel strongly that this book should remain accessible in the library," said Rounseville. "In terms of a compromise, I believe that



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a compromise is there. If you do not want your child to see this book, then you have the ability to inform the librarian."

Rounseville said she read the book and read all the submitted public comments and estimated them to be "about 50-50."

Hartley supported Rounseville's comments and said the criteria and the established process was adhered to.

Citing ORR's Responsive Classroom protocols for age-appropriate education, Fernandes said the book is geared toward ages four to eight but considers it inappropriate for RMS students.

"I'll put that right out there," said Fernandes. "If it were up to me, I wouldn't have it in the library at all – period. But I think having a compromise about where the book might be placed …" Fernandes considered the librarian's desk and the social worker's office as appropriate options.

Nelson clarified that opting out by a parent is a "practice" but not "policy" per se. Hartley said when librarians have spoken at public gatherings about other books in recent years, they have emphasized the parents' ability to opt out for their children.

Member Kate Duggan asked if a student reads a book and has questions, how would that be handled in school. Nelson said it would be handled on a case-by-case basis. RMS Principal Heide Letendre said the first move would be to consult with the parents.



Attending the meeting remotely, member Jason Chisholm pointed to the consistency of the committee in leaning on its experts.

"I appreciate the concerns, I appreciate the perspectives. At the same time, I think what we probably don't talk enough about is that, as parents, we are responsible for our children, and we should definitely recognize the influence that we have in our own households and in the messaging … morals … and the expectations that we set for our children," said Chisholm. "While I appreciate that there are outside influences, I think everybody in this community should take some time and think about what are the conversations that you

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Andrew J. Santos of Marion, MA died March 5, 2024, after a brief illness. He was married for 64 years to Marianne (Eggersdorfer) Santos. He was born November 10, 1933, the son of John & Madeline Santos. Andy, as he was known to family and friends, lived most of his life in Marion.

He was among the first black students to attend Sippican School in Marion in 1939. He graduated from Tabor Academy in 1952 and Williams College in 1956. He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 – 1959, and for many years thereafter, in the Army reserves. After working in banking and the Model Cities federal program in New Bedford during the 1960's and early 70's, he joined the ORR Regional District as its Business Manager in October 1972. He would retire as Associate Superintendent – Finance in 1998. Throughout the years he served in many capacities within the community. Sports were among his favorite things, and he was very active as a player and coach.

In sports, he had successful high school and college careers. At Tabor Academy, he played varsity football, basketball (Capt.), golf (Capt.) and was voted the best overall athlete in his senior class. At Williams, he played football, basketball and golf. The 1955 Williams basketball team for which he played, went to the NCAA Division I Championship Tournament. That team was voted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame.

He also had great success as a coach. He coached in Little League and Pony League from 1970-1980. After retiring from his role as Associate Superintendent, he returned in October of 2001 to serve as ORR's Interim Athletic Director through September of 2002. In 2004, he jumped on board as an assistant coach for the ORR golf team and became the varsity Golf Coach in 2005.

His teams enjoyed a great deal of success during his tenure, going 119-17-3, capturing 4 SCC Championships and 5 SCC tournament championships during his coaching career from 2005 – 2012. During that time, his success was acknowledged as one year he was named the Division III golf coach of the year by the Boston Globe. He always considered sports as a building block for student athletes and that lessons learned from competition could be beneficial towards future success in life. His contributions to sports at ORR were acknowledged in 2017 when he was inducted into the ORR sports Hall of Fame. In his later years, he stated that his induction to the school's Hall of Fame was amongst his proudest accomplishments.

He was a strong advocate for public education and during his lifetime, he served in many community programs and was an active member in his church, St. Rita's of Marion.

He is survived by his wife Marianne, his son Andrew J. Santos, Jr. and his wife Melanie of Marion, MA; his son Michael C. Santos and his wife Kerstin of Rochester, MA; and his daughter Erika C. Miranda and her husband Michael of Marion, MA and his daughter Lindsay; his brother John P. Santos II of Lakeland, Florida; his grandchildren, Drew Santos (wife Katie), Chelsea Friberg (husband Jay), Steven Santos (fiancé Liz), Katrina Santos (partner Connor), Devin Miranda and Shaun Miranda; his great-grandchildren, Cecelia Friberg and Cameron Santos and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visiting hours will be held at Chapman Funerals & Cremations - Wareham, 2599 Cranberry Highway, Wareham on March 14, 2024, from 4:00-7:00 pm. A funeral mass will be held on Friday, March 15, 2024, at 10:00 am, St. Rita's Church, 121 Front St., Marion, MA with a reception to follow at Bay Pointe CC in Onset, MA.

In his memory, in lieu of flowers, please consider a gift in his name to the Alzheimer's Association.



Janet R. Mathieu passed peacefully the early morning of March 11, 2024 surrounded by her family and her husband of 64 years Paul J. Mathieu.

Janet was born in 1936, the daughter of Arthur and Eveline Carriere Magnant. She grew up summering on Lake Noquochoke in Dartmouth and eventually settled on Long Pond in Lakeville MA at the family summer home at the "Cottage". She also spent over 40 years at her winter residence in Fort Myers, Florida.

Janet loved warm weather, beaches and enjoyed traveling to warm locations. Her faith and her family meant everything to her. Janet's strong faith was ever-present through her ministering to others. She earned her R.N. from St. Anne's School of Nursing in Fall River and practiced as an OBGYN nurse. She was loved by the students of Bishop Stang, where she volunteered as the school nurse. Due to her kind and caring nature, many "sick" students enjoyed the trip to see Mrs. Mathieu in the nurse's office as a welcome diversion from class. Janet made several mission trips to Haiti to help others in need. She was an active member of the St. John Neumann parish community as a Eucharistic Minister, an R.C.I.A. instructor and member of the Couples Club. Janet, or Mémère as she was so lovingly called by her grandchildren, would always welcome the opportunity to share a faithful message with any and all who would listen. She will be fondly remembered for the values and beliefs that she passed along to us all.

She is survived by her husband Paul J. Mathieu, their children and grandchildren: her son Thomas J. Mathieu and his wife Kerri of Raynham, and their children Justin and his fiancée, Thora, and Scott; her son David R. Mathieu and his wife Kimberly of Uxbridge and their daughter Grace; her son Peter J. Mathieu and his wife Kristen of Rochester, and their children, Taylor and Nicholas; her son John P. Mathieu and his wife Marybeth of Mattapoisett, and their children Mason, Davis, John Cuyler and Mitchell; and her daughter Paula Mathieu Chausse and her husband Donald of East Freetown and their daughters Emma and Julia. She was predeceased by her son Charles A. Mathieu and granddaughter Molly Elizabeth. She also leaves her brother George Magnant of Fort Myers, Florida and sister Claire Magnant of Acushnet. She was predeceased by her sister E. Lucille Maynard of Dartmouth and her dozens of nieces and nephews.

Her Funeral Mass will be held Friday, March 15, 2024 at 11 AM at St. John Neumann Church, 157 Middleboro Rd, East Freetown, MA 02717, with everyone invited to meet directly at Church. Burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visiting hours will be Thursday, March 14, 2024 from 4-8 PM in the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. For online guestbook please visit www.saundersdwyer.com

are having with your children, what are the expectations that you are setting within your household, and how confident are you that your voice is one of the loudest voices that your children are hearing?"

Chisholm concluded his remarks by qualifying his apparent lack of an opinion on the appealed book by stating his belief that parents who feel threatened by the potential for outside influences diminishing their own voice in their children's minds have a far greater problem to address than what's on the library shelves.

He did side with the viewpoint that the compromise exists in the parents' right to opt out for their children but also recommended that it be better communicated to the community.

"I'm prepared to support the professionals that we have in this school to make these decisions," he said.

With that, the committee voted 4-1 to keep the book in the library.

Fernandes, the lone no vote, restated her position that the committee's decision is inherently conflictual with the theory and practice of ORR's Responsive Classroom.

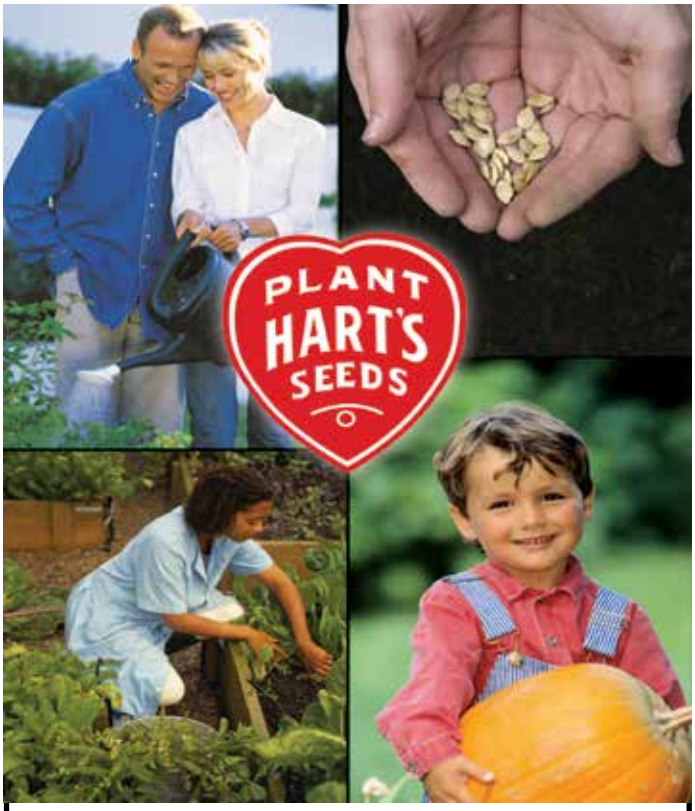
During the Public Comment section of the meeting, Michelle Cusolito read a letter cosigned by 500 people into the record supporting the reading and not the banning of books.

Michael Kovacevich, an adjustment counselor, addressed the meeting, saying that those going through gender-identity issues, had nothing at their disposal 10 or 20 years ago. He said the book is not being forced on anyone but is a resource for those who experience confusion.

Jeff Costa, who has a daughter at RMS, said it is a shame that a parent needs to second-guess their school system. He said gender identity should be brought up in the home.

Jim Ramsey said he had braces and was relentlessly bullied and has zero tolerance for bullying. "I also believe it's a parent's job to deal with their children's problems as they see fit," he said, qualifying his remark to confine school to traditional learning but not about physical differences.

Amanda Costa, self-identified as Jeff Costa's wife,



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8:00 AM Cape Conversations
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM A Conversation With...
9:30 AM Pete on the Street
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education
11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:30 AM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peggs Francis
3:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Brand - A Presidential Portrait
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
5:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global US
6:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
6:30 PM Tri-Town TV
7:00 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report
9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church
10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Blue October
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday March 15, 2024
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM Bulldog Sports Show
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Cape Conversations
11:30 AM A Conversation With...
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
2:30 PM Two Grannies on the Road
3:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers
3:30 PM This is America and the World
4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltowitz
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
5:00 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Native American Archaeological Sites
7:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Wampanoag Art for the Ages
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday March 16, 2024
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:00 AM Health Source
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM A Conversation With...
11:00 AM Auto Sense
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peggs Francis
2:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
3:30 PM South Coast Matters
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
4:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Brand - A Presidential Portrait
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Conflict Zone
8:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Wampanoag Art for the Ages
9:30 PM Sippican Week Interviews
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday March 17, 2024
6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian Church
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM Sippican Memorial Rededication
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
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1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
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3:00 PM Bulldog Sports Show
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4:00 PM Fur, Fins and Feathers
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show
5:00 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Conflict Zone
9:00 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Native American Archaeological Sites
9:30 PM Sippican Historical Society - Wampanoag Art for the Ages
11:00 PM Beacon Hill Report
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday March 18, 2024
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM Reeing: The Movie Review Show
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:00 AM A Conversation With...
10:30 AM Cape Conversations
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM In the Toy Box
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters
2:30 PM The Collective Chat
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Presidential Portrait
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Native American Archaeological Sites
7:30 PM Four Deep Sports Talk Show
8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business
9:30 PM Building the Future
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday March 19, 2024
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:00 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
9:30 AM The Collective Chat
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartooning
11:30 AM In the Toy Box
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Miss New Bedford Insider
2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Presidential Portrait
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV
6:00 PM Marion Art Center - The Importance of Being Earnest
8:40 PM The Beacon Hill Report
9:10 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

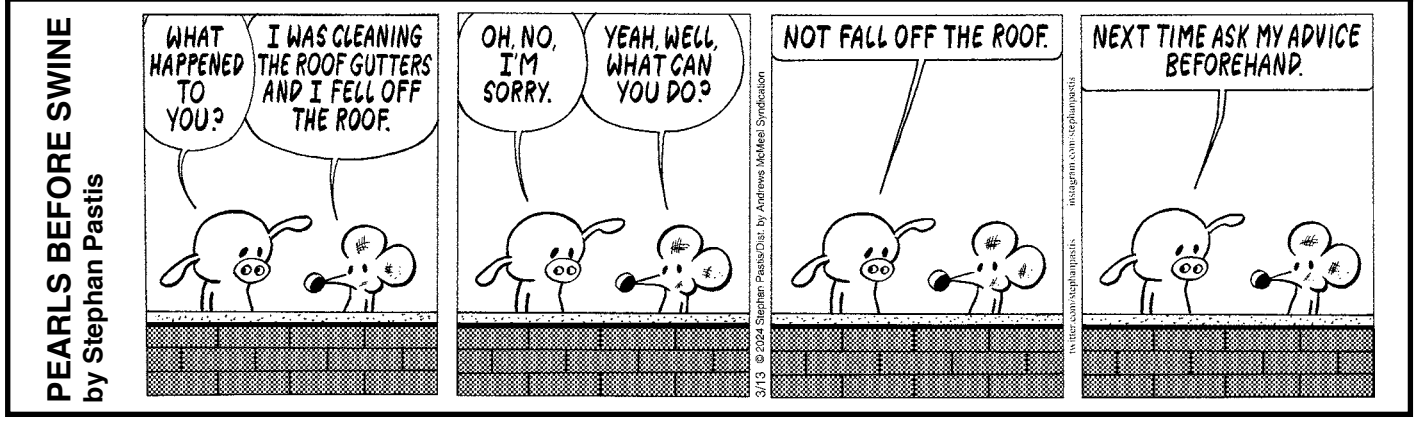
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7:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Good Shape
8:30 AM For Your Health
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:20 PM Christmas in the Tri-Town
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Pine Meadow Alpaca Farms Animal Education
2:10 PM Mattapoisett Harbor Days
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday
3:00 PM A Conversation With...
3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard
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4:00 PM Paltrocast with Darren Paltrowitz
4:30 PM Tri-County Annual Children's Concert
5:30 PM Building the Future
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
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3:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
3:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission
5:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
6:30 PM ORR School Committee
8:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
10:00 PM Marion Conservation Commission
11:00 PM Marion Planning Board

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8:00 AM Rochester Planning Board
9:00 AM Rochester Conservation Commission
10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
11:00 AM Rochester School Committee
1:00 PM ORR School Committee
3:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee
4:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen
5:30 PM Rochester Planning Board
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10:00 PM ORR School Committee
11:00 PM ORR Joint School Committee

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7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM RMS Parents Q&A
8:30 AM Sippican Talent Show
9:30 AM Sippican School Play
10:30 AM RMS 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony
11:30 AM Old Colony TV
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM Chuck McIntyre - Autistic Presentation at ORR
1:30 PM ORR Boys Baseball vs GNBV
3:00 PM ORR Boys Lacrosse vs Fairhaven
5:00 PM ORR Graduation
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
6:30 PM ORR Pep Rally
7:30 PM ORR Volleyball vs Dighton-Rehoboth
9:30 PM ORR Boys Soccer vs GNBV
11:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Somerset

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT
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urged everyone to read the book through the lens of a four or five-year old.

As an expert on molecular biology, Isabelle Gomes-McMahon reinforced the need for compromise.

Kathy Rusinoski asked if a list of questioned books is published by the school in its student handbook and said most parents are unaware of what their children are able to access at school.

After hearing details from Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber, the committee voted unanimously to award the bus contract to Amaral Bus Company.

The next meeting of the Rochester School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, at Rochester Memorial School, and the next meeting of the Joint School Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 28, at ORR Jr. High School. The meetings begin at 6:30 pm, are streamed live via Zoom and recorded by ORCTV.

Cougars Make Tourney Noise

Old Colony Basketball

By Logan Hamlet

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Movie Review

Oscar Night 2024

By Rob Gonsalves
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I long ago stopped expecting Oscar-history moments on Oscar night, even after we've seen a few recent *negative* moments. But Ryan Gosling forever enshrined his coolness with his performance of "I'm Just Ken," the most purely enjoyable thing I've seen on Oscar night in years. Gosling also appeared, with *The Fall Guy* costar Emily Blunt, to pay tribute to stuntpeople. You know how actors got nervous about being replaced with AI? Stunt folks got to feel that pain first. I know there continues to be phenomenal stuntwork, but the problem is CGI has advanced to the point where we don't believe what we're seeing. It could be Tom Cruise risking his ass or it could be Cruise's face deepfaked onto a CGI figure.

Oscar host Jimmy Kimmel addressed the AI topic as well, using it to lead into a shot at the latest *Transformers* movie, as though *Transformers* wouldn't have been feted if it had made more money. Kimmel, who largely conducted himself as slickly as usual, got a bad review of his Oscar hosting on Truth Social by none other than Donald Trump, who apparently had nothing better to do. I mean, I didn't either, but then I'm not facing 91 state and federal charges. Anyway, Kimmel is a practiced old hand at this stuff by now, and we didn't have to sit through the usual big comedic stunt. The evening felt streamlined, other than the return of that obnoxious bit where they haul five past winners of an acting award onstage, where they each hype one of the current nominees in that category. I miss seeing those Big Acting Oscar-night clips.

Then they botched the In Memoriam segment by filming the big screen showing some of 2023's dear departed from too far away, instead of just letting that graphic fill our screens at home. They always manage to devalue the dead non-star, below-the-line talent they occasionally deign to acknowledge, this time by making them share a screen chopped up into thirds. The annual TCM Remembers homages have put the Oscars' frail displays to shame for a while now; maybe the Academy should just get TCM to handle In Memoriam.

The courier of nostalgia on this most nostalgic of nights was Michael Keaton, which is not something I'd have guessed thirty years ago. Keaton's bit with Schwarzenegger and DeVito — let's not pretend these comically "extemporaneous" gags aren't rehearsed inside out — was terrific, and he got to have a *Beetlejuice* reunion onstage with Catherine O'Hara. (They're both also appearing in the sequel, coming your way in September.) Keaton seems at ease with what people want from him, and frequently goes and does his own thing anyway. Give *him* an Oscar. With my luck, his next nomination will be opposite Paul Giamatti. I was darn sad to see Giamatti remain seated, but I can't begrudge Cillian Murphy's night in the lights. There were people and films I'd rather have seen win, but at least none of what did win is insultingly bad (or even regular bad).

I didn't love *Oppenheimer* — it's a hard film to "love" — but it was destined to clean up, and largely deserved to, picking up seven trophies including the big one. *Poor Things* has got to be the weirdest film to win four Oscars since *The Shape of Water.* Like *The Irishman,* Martin Scorsese's *Killers of the Flower Moon* was up for multiple awards and captured zilch. *Maestro* didn't get the love either, and *The Holdovers* had to settle for one win — and its loss in the original screenplay category was ironic since a plagiarism claim against it had just been made public. *The Zone of Interest* won the right Oscars, I think. Weirdly, the three movies that got shut out (*Past Lives* was the third) were the only Best Picture nominees I hadn't seen before Oscar night. I don't really want to see *Maestro.*

It occurs to me that the night's two big winners, *Oppenheimer* and *Poor Things,* are both mature geek movies — sciency and odd and unafraid to be off-putting in its pursuit of its vision. Somehow, Nolan makes a three-hour movie unfolding mostly in cramped rooms feel big, major, echoing with import. And *Poor Things,* which crossed the $100 million mark worldwide not long ago — which is *not at all* weird, heavens no — does what it does so fearlessly and with such a volatile visual sense that it has come to seem, out of all the nominees, the best example of pure cinema. That a movie this stubbornly strange could win four of the field's highest honors while also being a legitimate hit is reason for optimism. Let's hope it's not unfounded.

battling adversity the entire game, the Cougars came up short with a 56-42 loss to end the season. The team, which finished 22-3 overall, played their hearts out and represented Old Colony with the utmost passion and class.

Leading the scoring for Old Colony were Wyatt Smily with 8 points and Max Finney and Luke Meelia with 7 points each. A junior, Finney finished the season with a career total of 999 points, just one shy of the 1,000-point club.

The Cougars, seeded 21st in the Division 5 power rankings despite an impressive 18-2 regular-season record, played only one home game during the tournament and in the Preliminary Round, ousting 44th-ranked Notre Dame Cristo Ray, 63-36, on February 27. They then traveled to Springfield on March 1 to win a dramatic Round of 32 contest, 57-56, over 12th-seeded John J. Duggan Academy. Also coming into the tournament 18-2, Duggan was among 18 Division 5 teams with byes into the Round of 32.

Bulldogs Reach State Final

State Tournament Basketball

By Aiden Comorosky and Mick Colageo

The Old Rochester Regional High School boys' basketball team is headed to the MIAA Division 3 state championship game after hitting the John P. Brissette '88 Competition Court at Worcester State University running, building an insurmountable lead and coasting to an 82-72 victory against third-seeded Pittsfield on Monday night.

ORR saw its 2023 tournament run end in the semifinals, but this edition of Bulldog basketball was simply too versatile to be denied a trip to the championship weekend.

The win puts the second-seeded Bulldogs (21-4) in the state final against the winner of Wednesday's semifinal between top-seeded Charlestown and 14th-seeded Taconic. The date and time for the title tipoff at Tsongas Arena in Lowell was not announced in time for press. Eight championship games will be played at Tsongas, beginning Friday, March 15, at 6:00 pm with a second game at 7:45 pm. On both Saturday and Sunday, four games will be played at 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm.

Pittsfield started off Monday's game with a three-pointer, but the Bulldogs caught fire, running off 13 straight points and in the second half, growing their lead to 27. Point guard Gavin Martin ran the offense and Zach Maurao (27) and John Butler (26) combined for 53 of ORR's season-high 82 points. Chase Bensacon was also in double figures with 17 points.

After Malik Perry (team-high 21 points) dunked the ball for Pittsfield late in the game, Butler looked to match the feat at the other end of the court, but the play went sideways and led to a sloppy stretch that allowed the Generals to whittle ORR's lead down to 14 points with 2:39 remaining. Coach Steve Carvalho had a talk with his starters, who sealed the deal from there.

On March 8, ORR played Dover-Sherborn at home in the "Elite 8" and won 72-55 in a statement game that put the second-seeded Bulldogs into Monday night's "Final Four" match.

The quarterfinal win against Dover-Sherborn came more easily than the March 6, Round of 16 win against a tough Salem squad.

At the start of the first quarter against Dover-Sherborn, it was a close game, but soon, that was not the case at all. ORR center Robert Spenard had a great quarter, dominating the paint and building up a huge lead.

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Tri-Town Basketball Finals Night

What an amazing night of basketball. We had three battles for the championship of each league. Here is a recap:

Boys Grade 3/4 Finals Tarheels coached by Brian Canto facing the Wolverines coached by Kirk Bosma.

Both teams came out aggressive. Tarheels Colin Owen & Levi Soares each had 4 points. Bowden Zuther had 3 for the Wolverines, and Bo Ebert and Jeffrey Sylvester each had 2 points to end the first quarter 8-7. In the 2nd Quarter, the Tarheels Henry Anderson went on a run and scored 8 points, Jack Canto had 2. Sebastian Hannack had a bucket for the Wolverines which ended the half at Tarheels 18- Wolverines 9. The 3rd quarter was a defensive battle but Teddy Batchelder scored the lone basket for the Wolverines, and they held the Tarheels at 18. In the 4th quarter, Beau Randall came out strong with a basket for the Wolverines, but Cullen Upton came right back with one for Tarheels. Sebastian Hannack scored with just over 2 minutes left, but Henry Anderson grabbed and rebound and scored. Cullen Upton and Bowden Zuther both had a basket with less than a minute left ending the game at Tarheels 24- Wolverines 17.

Girls Finals Friars coached by Tim Bates facing Irish coached by Patrick O'Leary.

First quarter was a defensive battle with Kenzie Aarsheim scoring first and only hoop of the quarter for the Friars. Second quarter was much of the same. Gabriella Estevez sunk both free throws and a lay up for team Irish to end the half at Irish-4 Friars 2. The 3rd quarter had the Friars come out strong with a free throw by Fiona White followed by baskets from Emily Vachon and Leenda Bolieiro to end the quarter Friars-7 Irish-4. In the fourth quarter Sydney Bates scored first, but Gabriella Estevez answered with 2 baskets to get within 1 point. Hannah Gomes made a free throw to go up 10-8. Gabriella then made a free throw to end the game Friars 10 Irish 9. Such a close game. Congrats to both teams for a game well played.

Boys Grade 5/6 Finals - Bulls coached by Mike Duarte facing the Suns coached by Karyn Wylie.

Henry White was first to score for the Bulls, but Nate Grossman answered with 2 hoops for the Suns. White then tied it up with 1:30 left in the quarter. In the second quarter, Cam Eitas came out strong and had 6 points in the quarter for the Bulls along with a foul shot by Sean Carvalho. Anatoli Gaidion, Oliver Cecil and Greyson Eames all scored for the Suns to end the half at Bulls-11 Suns -10. In the third quarter, Ben Duarte scored early for the Bulls. Nate Grossman answered with 2 hoops for the Suns, but Ben Duarte went on to score 4 more points for the Bulls to end the quarter 17-14. In the fourth quarter, Greyson Eames scored first then followed it with a free throw to tie it up with 5 minutes remaining. Cam Eitas came through for the Bulls followed by another foul shot by Sean Carvalho to go up 20-17. With 30 seconds left, Eames scored again for the Suns but the Bulls then held them to end the game 20-19. Congrats to both teams for an amazing game and season.

We hope you all had a great season. A huge thank you to all of the coaches. We could not have this league without all of our amazing volunteers.













"We wanted to get the ball inside, we were bigger than them," said Carvalho.

By halftime, the Bulldogs held a 21-point lead. In the second half, every time Dover-Sherborn made runs, Old Rochester responded. The Bulldogs took care of business and ultimately came out with the win.

Maurao led the way with 20 points, including six three-pointers. Spenard had 14 points and 7 rebounds, and Besancon also had 14 points, including 6 rebounds and 3 blocks. Butler had an all-around impactful game, scoring 14 points while adding 6 rebounds, 5 assists and 4 steals.

ORR played Salem in the Sweet 16 on March 6 and won 66-58. The Bulldogs had a rough first quarter but ended up leading 16-10 by the end of it.

"We were getting a little outrebounded in spots; we talked about it, and we made a little switch on defense," said Carvalho.

In the second quarter, the Bulldogs turned a tough start into a great defensive half with many steals, closing out the half with a six-point lead.

"In practice, we work on maybe giving up the drive, and then help comes, and we're helping that help. We have a huge emphasis on getting them off the three-point line," said Butler.



It was a back-and-forth third quarter, with ORR scoring many points inside. At the start of the fourth, it was a three-point game. But with the Bulldogs' monster offense and defense, it was all over for Salem.

The Bulldogs had a dominant final quarter, scoring 27 points.

"We had enough offense to take it home," said Carvalho.

Butler made two steals and slam dunks on the other end in a matter of 15 seconds to end the hopes of a win for the visiting Wizards.

"We got good, slow looks. We really calmed down," said Butler.

It was a team effort, as three ORR players scored in double figures. Mourao had 18 points, Besancon had 18 points and 7 rebounds, and Butler had 15 points and 6 rebounds. Martin did it all, as he had 6 points, 5 assists, 4 steals and 5 blocks.

Correction

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Tri-town Police Logs

MARION
Log highlights March 3-March 9

- Front St – EMS/medical
- Joanne Dr – General service
- Ichabod Ln – MV complaint
- Main St – Suspicious activity
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Island Ct – Officer wanted
- Point Rd - Disturbance
- Spring St – MV collision
- Village Dr - Fraud
- Olde Knoll Rd – General service
- Quail's Crossing Rd – Smoke
- Main St – Health/welfare
- South St - Fraud
- Oak Ave – Animal complaint
- Ichabod Ln – MV complaint
- Dexter Rd – EMS/medical
- County Rd - Disturbance
- I195 East – Road hazard
- Converse Rd – MV collision
- I195 East – EMS/medical
- Spring St – General offense
- Allen St – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Parking enforcement
- Olde Logging Rd - Disturbance
- Ichabod Ln – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Dexter Rd – Mental health assist
- Front St – Wildlife services
- Wareham Rd – A&B/past

MATTAPOISETT
Log highlights March 3-March 9

- Marion Rd – Animal control
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Crystal Spring Rd – MV violations
- Upland Way – Suspicious MV
- County Rd – 911 call
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Lebaron Way – General service
- Bayberry Ln – Officer wanted
- North St – Medical assist
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- County Rd – MV lockout
- Maplewood St – Assist citizen
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Grand View Ave – Suspicious persons
- North St – Medical assist
- Lebaron Way – Domestic disturbance
- Barstow St – General service
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- North St – MV violations
- Hammond St – MV violations
- Water St – General service
- Church St – Assist citizen
- Angelica Ave – Burglar alarm
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Barstow St – 911 abandoned
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- Brant Island Rd – Property found
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- North St – Parking violations

ROCHESTER
Log highlights March 3-March 9

- *Not available at press time*

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Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM
Monday, March 18: Mediterranean chicken w/ vegetables, spaghetti, snowflake roll, applesauce
Tuesday, March 19: Swedish meatballs, egg noodles, broccoli, multigrain bread, mixed fruit
Wednesday, March 20: Chicken stew w/vegetables, white rice, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding, diet: low sugar chocolate pudding
Thursday, March 21: Hot dog, roasted potatoes, green beans & peppers, hot dog roll, fresh orange
Friday, March 22: Tuna salad, pasta salad, coleslaw, whole wheat roll, peaches

CENTER SCHOOL
Monday, March 18: Hamburger (OR) cheeseburger, oven baked potato wedges, BBQ baked beans
Tuesday, March 19: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll
Wednesday, March 20: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, March 21: Spaghetti & meatballs, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick
Friday, March 22: **NEW** Munchie mania basket

OLD HAMMONDTOWN
Monday, March 18: Hamburger (OR) cheeseburger, oven baked potato wedges, BBQ baked beans
Tuesday, March 19: Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll
Wednesday, March 20: Warm ham, egg & cheese breakfast sandwich, hashbrown patty, orange smiles
Thursday, March 21: Spaghetti & meatballs, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick
Friday, March 22: **NEW** Munchie mania basket

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
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Thursday, March 21: Spaghetti & meatballs, steamed broccoli, garlic breadstick
Friday, March 22: **NEW** Munchie mania basket

OLD COLONY REGIONAL
Monday, March 18: Build your own beef tacos: salsa, cheese, lettuce, tomato, corn & black beans in a taco shell or over rice
Tuesday, March 19: Chicken nuggets & fries
Wednesday, March 20: Early release: bagel pizza & salad
Thursday, March 21: Hot dog & fries
Friday, March 22: Assorted pizza

Department Lieutenant Charlie Bradley had resigned from his position. After more than three decades of service, Bradley actually retired.

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"Romeo & Winifred"

The ORRJHS Drama Club will present "Romeo & Winifred" on Saturday, **March 16** at 7:00 pm and Sunday, **March 17** at 2:00 pm at the ORRJHS Auditorium, 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett. This hilarious spoof turns Shakespeare upside down and shakes things up with a stage full of zany modern-day characters. Directed by Kate Fishman and illustrated by Sophie Zhou. Tickets will be sold at the door: $10.00 for adults, $5.00 children 12 and under.

Mattapoisett Museum

Two programs are back by popular demand at the Mattapoisett Museum at 5 Church Street.,

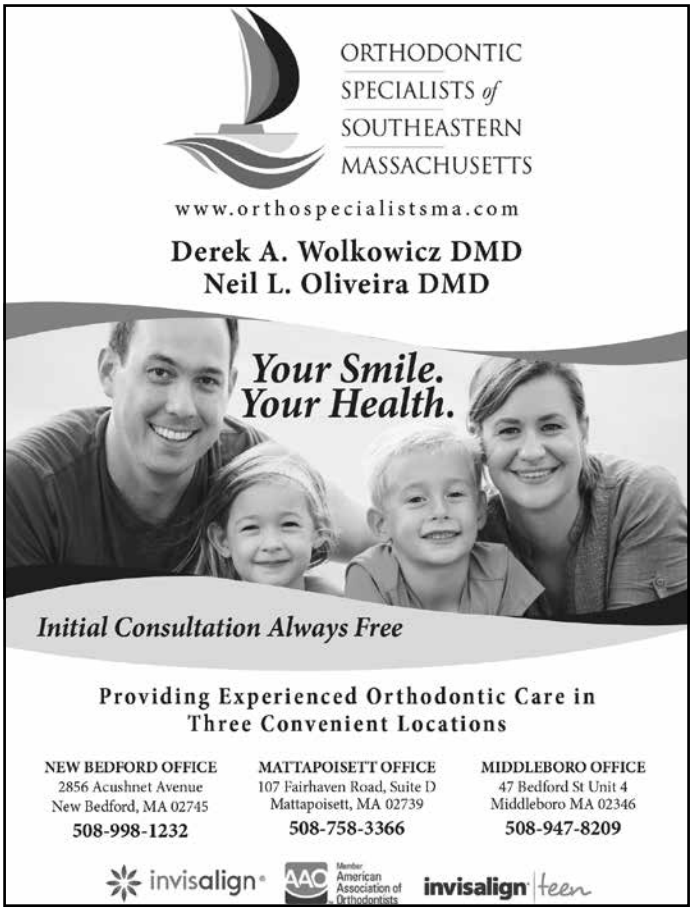
Crochet for Beginners and Advanced Beginner Students will occur every Monday at the Museum for six weeks from 6 pm-8 pm, starting **March 18** and ending **April 22**. The dates are: **March 18; March 25; April 1; April 8; April 15 and April 22**.

The class will be instructed by Jackie Sousa, who has been knitting and crocheting since she was a small child, a skill her grandmother taught her mom and passed down through the generations. This class is limited to 6-9 people, depending on experience level; tickets must be reserved in advance for the session. Refunds will not be given unless we have to cancel the session. Cost for Museum members is $120 and $130 for nonmembers. Please register at: www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/events

Jackie recommends that you bring a size G or H hook and a skein of cotton yarn, like Lily Sugar'n Cream Super Size Yarn, which can be found at Joann Fabrics.

Watercolor for Beginners - Ned's Point Lighthouse is also back by popular demand. It will be held on **March 21** at 6:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Museum. Have you always wanted to learn the basics of watercolor but were intimidated to give it a go? Watercolor is magical and a bit tricky, but with step-by-step instructions from local artist Lana Quann of "The Wandering Brush" everyone creates a unique one-of-a-kind painting. For a little local flavor, the subject of the painting will be Ned's Point Lighthouse.

All classes are geared toward beginners, and if you've dabbled a bit, you can learn a few techniques to make watercolor painting more enjoyable. Quann supplies all materials and a mat to frame up your finished



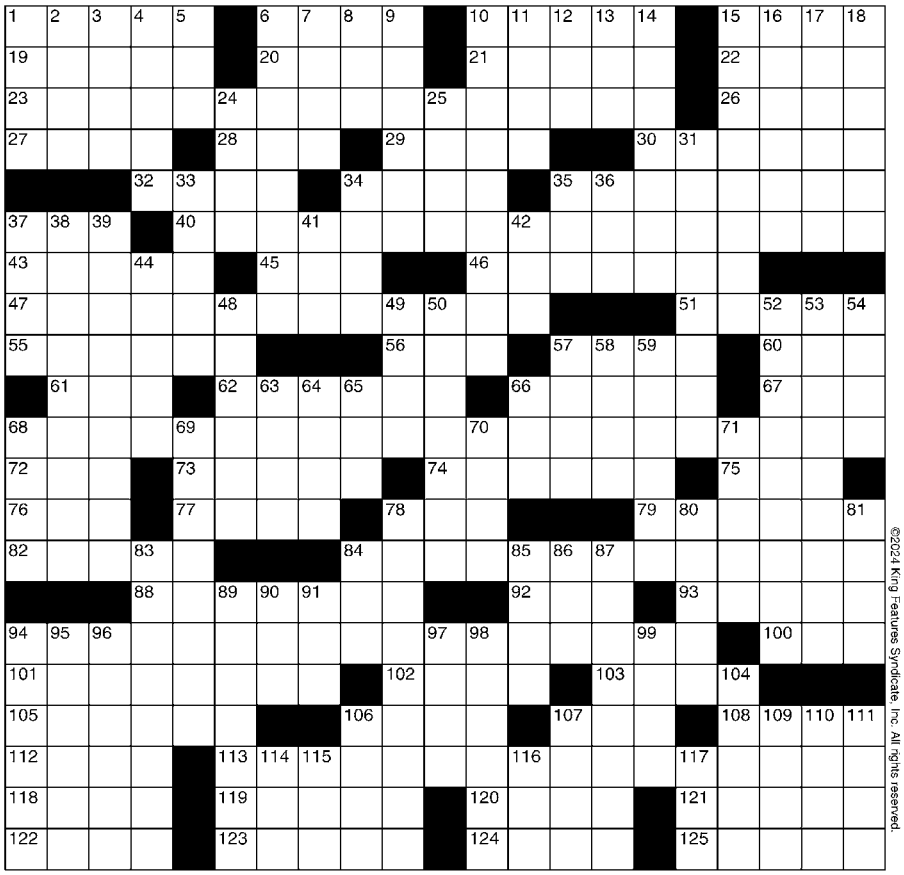
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19 Payments to the IRS
20 Oscar winner Robert De —
21 Capital of Vietnam
22 Sword handle
23 Fifth Avenue skyscraper
26 Other, in Acapulco
27 Identity hider
28 Altitudes: Abbr.
29 — -C (PC copy command)
30 What a groom may toss
32 "Uh-huh"
34 Pioneer Boone, informally
35 Orthodox Jewish movement
37 Rapper — Rida
40 Technique for viewing a slow process quickly
43 Cattle farm
45 Prefix with nourished
46 In a daze
47 First first lady of the U.S.
51 Gets close to
55 Sesame seed paste
56 Pucksters' org. with the Calder Cup
57 Newspaper think piece
60 Born as
61 Toon sheet
62 Hedy of "Ecstasy"
66 Rome's — Fountain
67 Dollar bill
68 Advance inquiry into a crime, e.g.
72 Israeli city close to Ben Gurion Airport
73 Big name in life insurance
74 Decrease
75 Doc for the neck up
76 D-H linkup
77 FDR or HST
78 Former "Idol" judge
79 Bob of play-by-play
82 Wolfed down
84 Launching of people into orbit
88 Insurance payment
92 "The Simpsons" shopkeeper
93 Was overlong
94 Dual-focus course about bodily structures
100 Some kitchen appliances, for short
101 From a northwest Italian port
102 Certain South African
103 Arena level
105 "Hallelujah Chorus" composer
106 Rough- — wood
107 City vehicle
108 Gas brand
112 Water, in Acapulco
113 What love is, per a Four Aces #1 tune, with "a"
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119 Capital of South Korea
120 Actress Best
121 Really mad
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123 Day divisions
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4 Sprightly
5 Mao — -tung
6 Object of hate
7 Thwacks
8 Before
9 Woman's quaint headpiece
10 Jacuzzi, e.g.
11 Recital venue
12 Not Rep. or Dem.
13 Mimi's "me"
14 Celebrates with a tune
15 Animal with a backbone
16 Relative of a shout-out
17 Anew
18 Tempestuous
24 Spicy cuisine
25 — Reader (magazine)
31 Carrier based in New Delhi
33 Hawke of film
34 Salvador of surreal art
35 Spicy
36 From — Z
37 Sig Nu, e.g.
38 Video game tomb raider
39 Teetering
41 — -di-dah
42 Attila follower
44 Refrigerate
48 More artful
49 — a soul
50 "— in Manila" (Ali-Frazier fight)
52 Consecrating
53 Nevada airport
54 In view
57 Mining finds
58 Sampras of the court
59 Show plainly
63 Poker cost
64 Supplies with personnel
65 Coach Parseghian
66 LG or RCA products
68 Petition
69 "Thumbs-up!"
70 Gas in signs
71 Gasless car
78 Tipoffs in hoops, e.g.
80 Christie's "A Pocket Full —"
81 Depots: Abbr.
83 Not old-fashioned
84 Cabinet dept. since 1965
85 Twosome
86 Abbr. on military mail
87 Societal
89 It might have mascara on it
90 Pas' mates
91 Opal ending
94 Horror-struck
95 All-Star pitcher Denny
96 Yearly
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99 Seine feeder
104 Trendy again
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109 Phony
110 Creates a lap
111 Blood type, for short
114 Prefix with pagan
115 Part of TTYL
116 HST follower
117 Loud noise



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Congratulations, Lamb. The end of the month brings good news in the workplace, thanks to all the efforts you've made to get your projects off the ground and running.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Don't let yourself be cowed into thinking that you're not up to the challenge you've taken on. Keep reinforcing your self-confidence. No one and nothing can stop you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Positive responses to a recent workplace move should give you the added assurance that you're on the right track. Celebrate the good news with family and/or friends.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) There's still a little emotional fuzziness you have to work through before you can feel really certain about your recent decisions. But you're on the right track. Stay with it!

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're tempted by an offer that seems close to what you've been looking for. But before you pounce on it, see if you can coax out some added perks to sweeten the deal.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your efforts to settle a volatile situation should prove to be successful. Now could be a good time to analyze what might have created the problem in the first place.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A once-close associate reemerges with news that could cause you to reconsider a recent decision. But don't make a move before consulting a trusted adviser.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might feel pressured to reveal a colleague's secret. But you can rely on your strong Scorpion sense of rectitude to help you continue to do the right thing.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A pesky situation is still creating problems. But you are moving ahead with it, and it should soon be successfully resolved in your favor.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A spate of indecision leaves you susceptible to doubt. But you'll soon regain your emotional sure-footedness and be back leading the way as usual.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Love rules the week with new romances favored for single Aquarians looking for partners. Cupid also targets renewed commitment for wedded Water Bearers.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A surge of creativity keeps you happily busy through the week. But set aside some quiet time to share with loved ones. Some long-awaited news finally comes through.

BORN THIS WEEK: People rely on you whenever they need someone they can trust to be caring, considerate and also discreet.

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piece. Please arrive 10 minutes early. BYOB or light beverages and snacks. The cost for Museum members is $35 and $40 for nonmembers. Please register at: www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/events.

OHS Annual Grade 6 vs Staff Charity Basketball Game

Doors open at 6:00 pm with tipoff at 6:30 pm. This year, OHS will be partnering with Gifts to Give as the charity for the Student vs. Staff Basketball game. Below is a list of items needed most by Gifts to Give. Please note the clothing can be new or gently used. Their shelves are bare after a very long holiday season. There will be a donation trailer located at OHS through the weekend of **March 17**. There will also be collection bins at the basketball game on **March 15** at ORRHS.

Childrens Clothes (Sizes Infant to 18), Childrens Shoes and Sneakers

New in-package underwear and Boys and Girls socks; Girls sizes: 4, 6, 8, 14, 16, Women's sizes: 6, 7, 8, 9, Boys sizes: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, Men's sizes: XS, S, M and L

Socks sizes: S, M, L

Friends of the Mattapoisett Library

The Friends Annual Meeting will be held next Saturday, **March 16** at 1:30 pm. At this brief gathering, President Kathy Sites will update everyone on the Friends' activities for the year. Please plan to attend, and renew your membership if you haven't already. We look forward to seeing you, and bring a friend. All welcome.

Immediately following the annual meeting, Kathy Sites will introduce our speaker, award-winning author Roxana Robinson at 2 pm, **March 16**. Ms. Robinson will speak about her new, highly-praised novel, Leaving. It was one of Oprah's most anticipated books of 2024. The book will be available for purchase, and Roxana will sign copies at the reception to follow upstairs in the Reading Room. Please call the library to reserve a seat for yourself and your guests, 508-758-4171. This will be a wonderful event. Roxana Robinson's last visit to the library was standing room only and very entertaining. She's a wonderful speaker.

The Friends are looking forward to more book sales, author visits, and family programs. Please remain active and invite friends to join in support of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library.

FCCR Holy Week Worship Opportunities

First Congregational Church of Rochester, 11 Constitution Way in Rochester, is pleased to announce its Holy Week schedule. We invite you to come and worship with us. Our gatherings will also be live streamed on our website, www.rochestercongregational.com.

March 24 at 10:00 am – Palm Sunday. Our pastor, Rev. Colby Olson, will help us discover "Adoration Leading to Power." Palms will be distributed after the worship gathering.

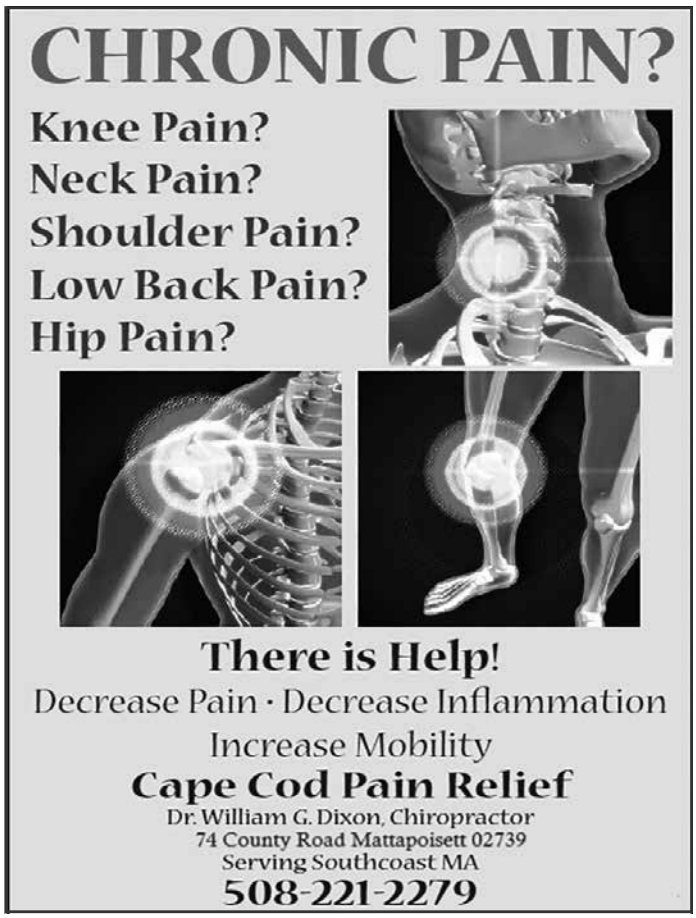
March 28 at 7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday. This somber service includes Communion, Scripture reading, and the gradual extinguishing of lights in the Sanctuary to impress upon the hearts of believers the awful consequences of sin and the magnitude of the Savior's sacrifice. Since this is such a solemn service, we ask that attendees enter and exit in silence.

March 29 at 7:00 pm – Good Friday. This Good Friday gathering will include Communion and a special message called "Leave It On The Cross."

March 31 – Resurrection Sunday. Our sunrise gathering begins at 7:30 am on the Church Green and will be followed by a free Easter breakfast in our Fellowship Hall. An Easter worship gathering will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am during which we will celebrate that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is alive. So that we can adequately prepare for the free breakfast, we ask that you call the church office at 508-763-4314 by March 24 to let us know you're coming.

Improv Workshop comes to the MAC

The MAC welcomes Watermelon Alligator back for a new Improvisation Workshop on **March 28** from 6:30-9:00 pm. Highly experienced theater practitioners Garrett Olson and Jess Wilson will be conducting the workshop. This course is a basic introduction to the art of improvisation. Course work includes beginner games and



TriTown Happenings



Marion's Taber Library celebrates Women's Month with a charming and poignant art installation featuring a gown of faces. The portraits making up the skirt are some of the most important women who ever lived and who have profoundly impacted the lives of millions. Photo by Emily Newell



Handsome boy "goose" enjoying the beautiful views from the Mattapoisett Bike Path. Photo by Faith Ball



Photo by Jen Shepley



The Old Rochester Regional High School boys' basketball team had the support of a packed gymnasium for MIAA Division 3 tournament wins over Foxboro, Salem (pictured) and Dover-Sherborn. Having run the table on home court, the second-seeded Bulldogs went to Worcester State on Monday night and defeated Pittsfield to earn a spot in the state championship this weekend in Lowell. Photo by Mick Colageo



On February 28, the Marion Natural History Museum's after school group enjoyed hearing about the efforts being made to protect the endangered Diamondback terrapin. Debra Ewing showed photos of the "Terrapin Garden" she helped to create in her neighborhood in Marion. The students had many interesting questions about this species, which were answered by Debra and two volunteers from New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance (NECWA). The students then broke into groups, exploring the artifacts they had brought in and had fun creating their own terrapins out of clay. The museum wishes to thank Debra for her interesting presentation and Katrina Bingham-Mass and Kara Balzarini from NECWA for sharing their artifacts. Photo courtesy Elizabeth Leidhold



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exercises exploring awareness, relaxation, observation, the senses, voice and physicality. Students should dress comfortably and be prepared to move during the class, because anything can happen in improv. Students are encouraged to bring any and all questions regarding all aspects of improvisation. The cost to participate is $35 for MAC Members: $35 and $45 for nonmembers. Register online at marionartcenter.org/events.

Weaving on a Rigid Heddle Loom

Instructor Lisa Elliott returns to the Marion Art Center to teach the next 5-week session of Weaving on a Rigid Heddle Loom. The class runs **April 25 – through May 23** and meets Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:30 pm in the MAC Studio. The cost is $150 for MAC members and $160 for nonmembers, plus a $10 loom/equipment fee payable to the instructor. Register online at marionartcenter.org/adult-classes.

Class description: Learn a new fiber skill on a rigid heddle loom. Have you ever wanted to try weaving but not sure where to begin? In this course over five weeks, you can create and take home your very first woven project. Students will weave one of the following: a scarf, table runner, set of placemats, or set of tea towels. Looms and weaving equipment are provided for a $10 fee, but let us know if you have your own rigid heddle loom that you would like to bring to class. Students will provide their own yarns. After registering, students will contact the instructor before the first class to discuss your project and calculate the amount of appropriate yarn needed for your project.

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Upcoming Events at the Elizabeth Taber Library

The seed library is back. Check out seeds and educational materials to get your garden growing. Kids can grab a Take and Make kit to grow their own mini library on Monday, **March 18**.

Come and hunt for lucky ducks at our Golden Duck Scavenger Hunt: Friday **March 15** at 3pm

Join actress Sheryl Faye and the Friends of the Elizabeth Taber Library for a showing of the one-woman show "Her Majesty — Queen Elizabeth II" Sunday, **March 24** at 3:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall. The performance will be preceded by an afternoon tea featuring a selection

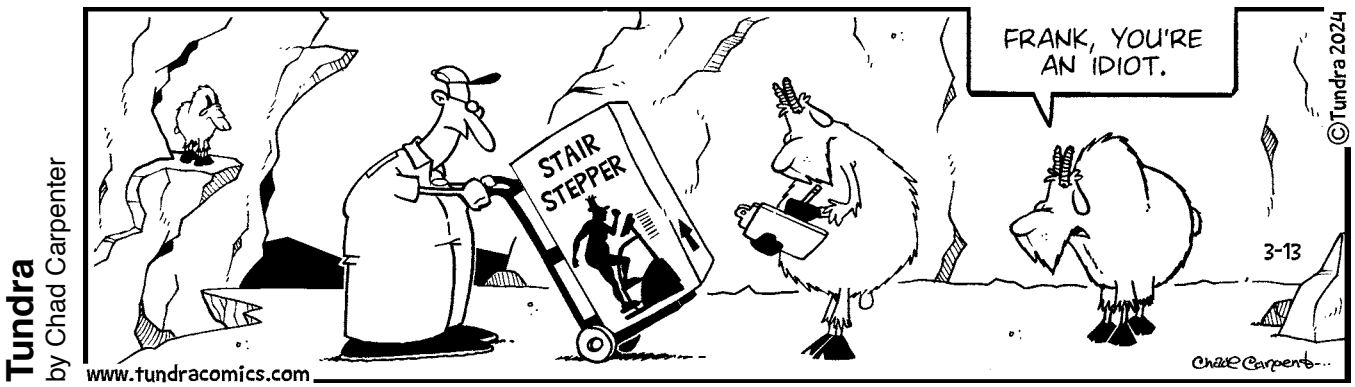
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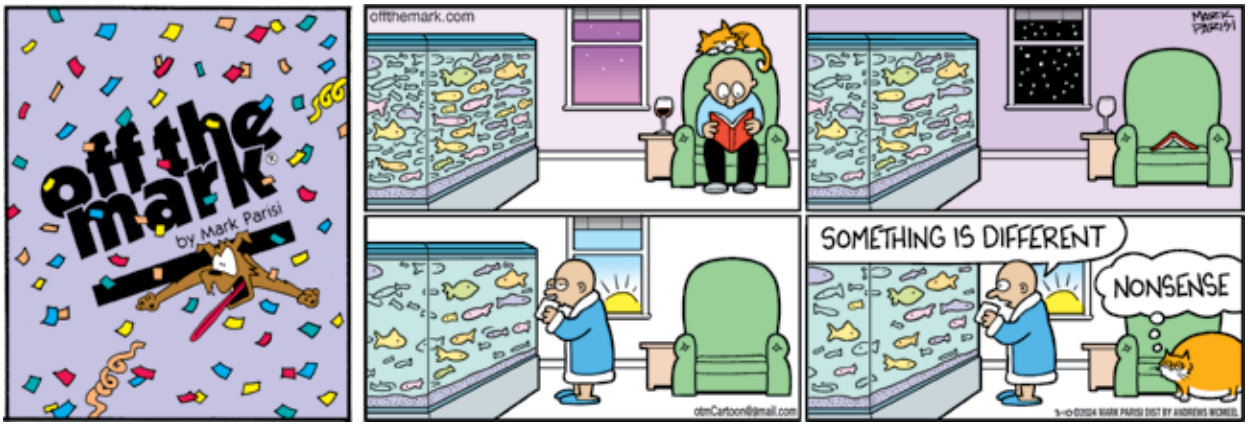
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of sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and preserves, and a variety of special sweets. Tickets can be purchased at the library for $40. Proceeds will benefit the Elizabeth Taber Library.

Get your team together to challenge friends and neighbors in a battle of wits at the Third Annual Lizzy T Trivia Bee - Friday **April 5** at 7 pm at the Marion Music Hall. $200 for team registration, team sizes limited to 5-6 people. Silent auction, cash bar, and free table snacks available. Spaces are limited, get your registration form at the library.

Storytimes for all ages Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am.

For more information on the Elizabeth Taber Library, visit us at www.ElizabethTaberLibrary.org or call us at 508-748-1252

Marion Social Club Chicken Dinner

The Marion Social Club located at 44 Pumping Station Road, will be having a Chicken Dinner on Sunday **March 24** at 1 pm. Doors will open at 12:00 pm for socializing, and we would love to have you attend. We will be serving barbequed chicken, baked potato, vegetable & dessert for $15.00 each. For ticket info, please call Betsy Youngson at 508-295-8253.

UCT College Fair

Upper Cape Tech welcomes area high school students and their parents/guardians to attend the annual UCT College Fair on Thursday, **March 14** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

Over 60 colleges, technical schools and military representatives will be available to meet with interested students about post-secondary opportunities and admissions requirements. Counselors will be present to assist students with identifying appropriate institutions and navigating the fair. The event is most appropriate for 10th and 11th grade students, as well as 12th grade students who may still be exploring their options for next year.

Detailed information, including a list of participating institutions is available on the Upper Cape Tech website. Please visit www.uppercapetech.com and view under "News and Notices".

There is no cost to attend the fair. Questions may be directed to the Upper Cape Tech Guidance Office at 508-759-7711 x210.

All You Want To Know About Property Taxes and Affordable Housing

On Sunday **March 24** from 1:30 to 3:00 pm in the downstairs public meeting room of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, the Mattapoisett Democratic Town Committee will host its third in a series of speaker's forums on Affordable Housing, Property Taxes and Ideas for Easing the Tax Burden for Mattapoisett Residents.



TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1204

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Michael Walsh, for property located at 405 Neck Rd, identified on Assessor's Map 26, Lot 17, who is seeking two Variances from the provisions of Chapter 20.40, Section E.2., of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws for the construction of a garage greater than 1000 square feet to be located in front yard of the property.

The public hearing will be on March 28, 2024, at 7:15 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA.
David Arancio, Chairman 3/7, 3/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following Applications and Petitions. ALL meetings are held in the Mattapoisett Town Hall Conference room; 16 Main Street (unless otherwise noted) New format of meetings; start time is 6:00 pm. This meeting is IN PERSON.

Case #1534: Application of: Allyson R. Bradford, 10 Oakland Terrace, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 RE:10 Oakland Terrace. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under section 3.1.3.1.&5.1.5.4 as provided by Section 7.2.2. of the Zoning By-Laws to request permission to Construct a Family related apartment under 700 Square Feet. The property is further described as Plot 8, Lots 153&62 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, March 21, 2024

Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours.
Sincerely,
Susan Akin, Chairperson
Anthony Tranfaglia, Co Chair
Kenneth Pacheco, Colby Rottler, Jordan Rodrigues
3/7, 3/14

TOWN OF MARION
SELECT BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Select Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 6:00pm, in the Conference Room at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, to address a complaint concerning a dog owned by Verena Hultsch, 20 Vine Street, Marion.
Carleton Burr, Jr. – Chair 3/14, 3/21

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, regarding a Notice of Intent filed by Walter P. Faria, Trustee for the property located at 532 Snipatuit Road, Rochester, MA, 02770 designated as Lot 5A on Assessors Map 41. The applicant is proposing the removal of an existing houseboat and dock, demolition of existing house, construction of a new single-family house and associated site work, installation of a new septic system, and upgrading the existing driveway. The work lies within the pond and within the Buzzer Zone of the pond and Bordering Wetlands.

The applicant's representative is Charon Associates, Inc., 323 Neck Road, Rochester, MA 02770.

This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86859857340
Meeting ID: 868 5985 7340
Or Call: 1 646 876 9923
Christopher Gerrior, Chairman 3/14

TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF HEALTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 4:45 pm in the conference room of the Marion Town House at 2 Spring Street to amend the regulation entitled "Guidance for Body Art Establishments".

A copy of the proposed changes to the regulation is available from the Board of Health office.
Edward P. Hoffer, MD, Chair 3/7, 3/14

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
SELECT BOARD
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Rochester is accepting bids for the installation of two (2) Calhoun HT Series Super Structure 60 Feet wide by 80 feet deep on a 6-foot leg using hot dipped galvanized steel and heavy-duty fabric.

Bid Packet with complete specifications may be obtained on the Town of Rochester's website at www.townofrochestermass.com/home/pages/bids-rfps or at the Selectmen's Office between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday, and Friday 8:30 am to 1:00 pm, excluding holidays. Bids shall be SEALED and MARKED appropriately and will be accepted at the Rochester Town Hall in the Selectmen's Office, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770 on or before April 9, 2024, at 4:00 pm. The Bids shall be opened on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 4 pm at the Rochester Town Hall and will NOT be opened publicly but will be opened in the presence of one or more witnesses.

The Town of Rochester reserves the right to accept/reject any and/or all bids as they deem in the best interest of the Town. 3/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 25, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Judith Otter, 15 Bay View Ave – MS, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to remove and reconstruct a 680 SF of existing deck to be supported by 10 recast concrete piers. The project is located at 15 Bay View Ave – MS, and is further identified as Lot 111 on Assessor Map 15.B
**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 3/14

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION OF WETLANDS AND WATERWAYS
Southeast Regional Office – Lakeville
20 Riverside Drive
Lakeville, MA 02347
508-946-2700
PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1341 and M.G.L. c. 21 §§ 26 - 53, notice is given of a 401 Water Quality Certification application for Mattapoisett Bogs Restoration Project by Buzzards Bay Coalition, 114 Front Street, New Bedford, MA 02740 on 141 Acushnet Road in Mattapoisett. The project purpose is to restore retired cranberry bogs to natural wetlands and diversify habitats within the restored bogs, and to improve fish passage within Tripps Mill Brook without increasing downstream flood flows. Additional information may be obtained from GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.by contacting Stephen Lecco at 1350 Main Street, Suite 1400, Springfield, MA 01103, or 413-726-2114. Written comments should be sent to Southeast Regional Office, Division of Wetlands and Waterways, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347 within twenty-one days of this notice.

Any group of ten persons, any aggrieved person, or any governmental body or private organization with a mandate to protect the environment who submits written comments may appeal the Department's Certification. Failure to submit written comments before the end of the public comment period may result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. 3/14

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 7:05 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability, submitted by Byron and Cynthia Deysher this project consists of the installation of the sunroom addition to the existing dwelling, an 18'x36' in-ground pool with associated 5'-10' wide concrete deck, 6-foot wood fence, underground utilities, a pool equipment platform and associated site grading and landscape at 44 Lewis Street.

The site is further identified as Lot 3C on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Jeff J. Doubrava, Chair
* Please contact Natashja Molina at nmolina@marionma.gov the Microsoft Teams link and for meeting information. Phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV. 3/14

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 27th, at 7:10 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Notice of Intent submitted by John & Pamela A. Lees, for proposed reconstruction of boat ramp and completion of pier improvements

Joining the conversation will be Kathleen Costello who retired from the Town in December 2022 after more than a decade as the Administrator of Assessing. Ms. Costello is currently the Executive Director for the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers, the governing authority of the Massachusetts Assessors. Ms. Costello brings a wealth of experience to the discussion of affordable housing and what we as a community can do to make it happen for our young and aging residents.

Ms. Costello will be joined by Mattapoisett Town Administrator Mike Lorenco who will share what the Town has done and is doing in an effort to keep our property taxes at a reasonable level while also ensuring our Town's services are adequately funded.

Bring your family, friends, neighbors and questions and spend an afternoon learning more about how your property taxes are calculated and what we can do to offset them. Light refreshments and snacks will be served.

ORCTV Annual Meeting

ORCTV will hold its Annual Meeting on Thursday, **May 2** at the ORCTV studio. The meeting will begin at 5:00 pm and will include the election of officers to the Old Rochester Community Television Board of Directors. All current ORCTV station members are invited and encouraged to attend.

The nominees for 2024 are:

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The site is further identified as Lot 173 on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Jeff J. Doubrava, Chair

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TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 7:20 pm at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street, also available via Microsoft Teams (Remote Participation Option), on a Request for Determination of Applicability, submitted by Thomas and Nancy Bibeau for proposed house and deck improvements for 10 Seaside Lane.

The site is further identified as Lot 262C on Marion Assessors' Map 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review.

Jeff J. Doubrava, Chair

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application Pursuant to M. G. L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application Number 24-WW01-0018-APP
Sandra J. Peterson, Trustee, Dexter Road Family Trust
NOTIFICATION DATE: March 14, 2024

Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by Sandra J. Peterson, Trustee, Dexter Road Family Trust to construct and maintain a pier, ramp and float at 35 Dexter Road in the municipality of Marion, in and over the waters of the Weweantic River. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.

The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received within thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any municipality, aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more, with at least five of the ten residents residing in the municipality(s) in which the license or permitted activity is located, to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).

Project plans and documents for the Waterways application are on file for public viewing electronically at: https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/EEA/PublicApp/ (enter "35 Dexter Road" in the Search Page as the Location Address). If you need assistance, please contact vin.manfredi@mass.gov or if you do not have access to email, please leave a voicemail at (508) 946-2700 and you will be contacted with information on alternative options.

Written comments must be addressed to: Vin Manfredi, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347. 3/14

MARION SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Marion School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. This hybrid meeting will be held at Sippican School located at 16 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom.

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Please contact the Superintendent's Office at 508-758-2772 ext. 1956 with any questions.
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OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified

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that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Old Rochester Regional School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, March 28, 2024. This hybrid meeting will be held in the Media Room located at the Jr. High School at 133 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom.
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ROCHESTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Rochester School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 27, 2024. This hybrid meeting will be held at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street, Rochester, MA 02770. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom.
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MATTAPOISETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Mattapoisett School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2024-2025 school year at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, March 21, 2024. This hybrid meeting will be held at Center School located at 16 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Public is able to attend in person or via zoom.
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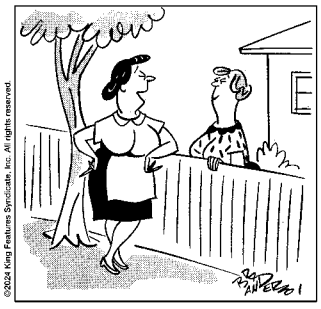
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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TODAY'S WORD

___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Bill Tilden – Marion seat
Tim Smith – Mattapoisett seat
Nancy Sparklin – Rochester seat
Chris Charyk – Membership seat

Dog Adventure Hike

Mattapoisett Land Trust is leading a Dog Adventure Hike with a local dog training organization through the land trust's Old Aucoot woods on Friday, **March 22**. This free hike is meant for dog owners and their dogs. Meet at the MLT kiosk on Hollywoods Road and park on the west side of the road. We will be on the trail from 9:00-11:00 am. Please be sure to bring a leash and baggies and wear sturdy shoes for hiking. Registration is required for this free walk; please see MLT's events calendar at mattlandtrust.org/events and follow the link for registration. Email manager@mattlandtrust.org with any questions.

Peter B. Hodges Memorial Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Lions Club is pleased to announce the Peter B. Hodges Memorial Scholarship application window is open. Four $2,500 scholarships will be awarded to residents of Mattapoisett, Marion, or Rochester and/or a home-schooled student and/or a school choice student attending Old Rochester Regional High School who has been accepted to pursue education beyond a secondary level at an institution deemed accredited by the Mattapoisett Lions Club Scholarship Award Committee. For details and an application, please go to the Mattapoisett Lions Club's Facebook page at Facebook.com/MattapoisettLionsClub or go to the Mattapoisett Lions Club's website at MattapoisettLionsClub.org - Click the Scholarship tab. The deadline for applications is **March 23**.

MATTREC Programs

Mattapoisett Recreation is pleased to announce late Spring program sign ups are now open online. We have Youth and Adult pickleball starting in late April along with running club for grades K-6. Summer planning is well underway, and we plan to have online registration





open for our Seahorse Explorers program for Mattapoisett Town residents only starting **April 1**. We will then open to nonresident returning campers on April 4 and to nonresident new campers on **April 8**.

Visit our website at www.mattrec.net to see all of our program offerings.

Nasketucket Bird Club

The next meeting of the Nasketucket Bird Club will be on Wednesday, **March 27** at 6:30 pm at the Mattapoisett Public Library, 7 Barstow Street. Free and open to the public. More bird info at the Nasketucket Bird Club website: www.nbcbirdclub.com or the Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/NasketucketBirdClub.



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The meeting program will feature Shawn Carey who will be speaking about Iceland.

Mattapoisett Republican Party Meeting

The Mattapoisett Republican Party welcomes all to join us on Thursday, **March 21** from 6 to 8:00 pm for our monthly scheduled meeting. Be a part of the discussion on local initiatives, support of candidates in future elections and share ideas with like-minded neighbors.

This month's guest speaker is Sheriff Joseph D. McDonald, Jr. He is the 30th High Sheriff of Plymouth County and leader of perhaps the oldest law enforcement agency in America. The Plymouth County Sheriff office strives to be an integral part of public safety systems providing vital communications services to our emergency medical systems, local fire, and police departments. In the name of public safety, please join us to learn about and discuss new ideas to make a difference for all of us. Guest speaker begins at 7:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. There is always good food, good people, and a cash bar.

For additional information contact, Paul Criscuolo, Chairperson, Mattapoisett Republican Town Committee at PCMattyGOP@proton.me

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

Listening to the news these days can be alarming, especially when Russia's leader talks about the potential use of nuclear weapons while he moves to take over Ukraine. Of course, history teaches us that it often repeats itself, and those of a certain age are reminded of this same feeling of heightened tension in the early 60's with the "Berlin Crisis" and the "Bay of Pigs " crisis.

As early as 1951, the Cold War led the U.S. government through speeches and magazine articles by President Kennedy, as well as Civil Defense pamphlets, to prepare for the possibility of nuclear war. Promises of public fall-out shelters were made and citizens were encouraged to construct and supply their own fall-out shelters.







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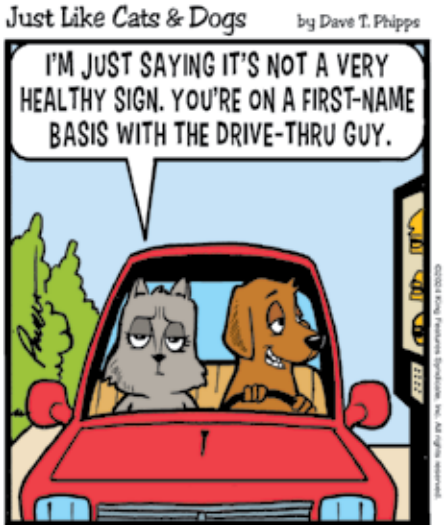
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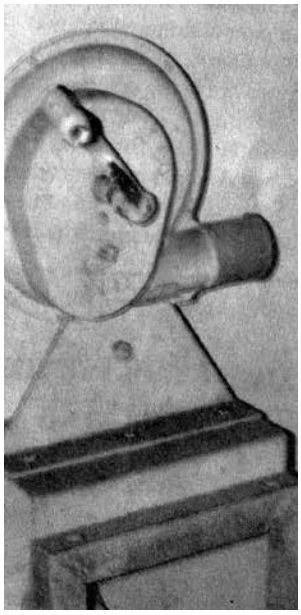


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Don't forget to wish these people a Happy Birthday!

Alex Wright	March 14
Patrick D Fraine	March 14
Victoria Rogers	March 14
Genevieve Spinale	March 15
Jaxon Resendes	March 15
Ray Malo	March 15
Shannon Lynch	March 15
Amy Ripley	March 16
Bob Saunders	March 16
Claudette J. LeRoux-Bolduc	March 16
Daniel Kenneth Hall	March 16
Kelly Hall	March 16
Michael Lee Mendes	March 16
Rebecca Milde	March 16
Brianna Lynch	March 17
Debra Luebke	March 17
Grace Greany	March 17
John Robinson	March 17
Keira Kelly	March 17
Lori-Ann Mello	March 17
Lynn Mourao	March 17
Noah O'Connor	March 17
Wendy A Gilbert	March 17
Ashling McLoughin	March 18
Elizabeth Bungert	March 18
Gladys Charron	March 18
Marianne DeCosta	March 18
Ava Goldstein	March 19
Emily Newell	March 19
Jim Randy Brainerd	March 19
Linda Holt	March 19
Nancy Tippins	March 19
Jared Gammell	March 20
Josh Fardy	March 20
Marina Stephens	March 20
Nancy Janousek	March 20
Nova Lee Delano	March 20
Ryan Foster	March 20
Tim Smith	March 20





Some companies seized on the idea and marketed bomb shelter kits. Lists were published with the items that should be placed in these shelters. Canned food, extra clothes, flashlights and batteries, games and toys were some of the suggested supplies. The Civil Defense recommended dosimeters to measure radioactivity and one quart of water per person per day. (This is sounding like the grandfather of the "Prepper Movement"- that old history repeating itself again). People began to realize that they might have to stay in the shelters, living off the grid, for weeks and would need tools and even more supplies.

Children weren't exempt from these preparations with schools "duck and cover" drills. How many of you questioned if your school desk would really protect you from a bomb? In Weymouth, they picked a day when all students had to walk home. I guess they didn't think the bus drivers would be around during an attack and they wanted to make sure that we could all find our way home. It doesn't make sense to me now and it didn't then.

I have to say I didn't know anyone who had a fall-out shelter or had any friends who were the proud owners of the dollhouse offered by the Marx Toy Company in 1962. It was a metal dollhouse that included a bomb shelter complete with supplies pictured along the wall.

By 1963, the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty was passed, and countries began a de-escalation that ended the Cold War. The threat of a nuclear disaster along with talk of bomb shelters waned. However, I finally did get to see fall-out shelter and it was in Rochester. When Tom Strutski was remodeling the former Dempsey's aka Plumb aka Bonney House, he gave us a tour of the bomb shelter in the basement.

The shelter had bunk beds, a table, shelving, an escape hatch to a tunnel, an exit to the yard and a hand crank ventilator shown in the picture. It helped to move the air around within the shelter.

The basement is still there but without the trappings of a bomb shelter. I wonder if the Plumb Memorial Vault with the 1976- time capsule inside could be down there somewhere.

Tri-County Symphonic Band
Percy Aldridge Grainger

On Sunday, **March 17** at 3:00 pm, the Tri-County Symphonic Band, under the direction of Philip Sanborn, will continue its 2023–2024 concert season with a program dedicated to the music of Percy Aldridge Grainger. Grainger's compositions range from sweet simplicity to immense sophistication, often in a matter of a few measures. His masterwork "Lincolnshire Posy" will be performed as well as "Shepherd's Hey", "Colonial Song", "Spoon River", "Walking Tune", "Country Gardens", "Children's March" and, of course, "Irish Tune from County Derry" (Old Danny Boy) as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Matthew McGarrell, Professor Emeritus from Brown University (after serving on their faculty for 35 years), will be the Announcer/Commentator for the concert. McGarrell is also an emeritus member of the



HOLY WEEK

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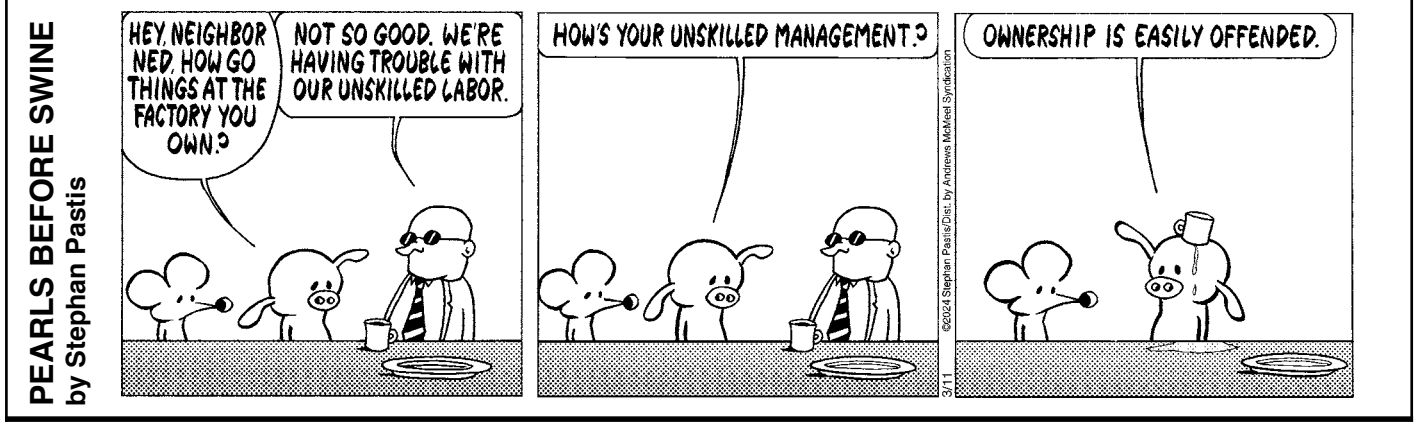
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Please visit tricountysymphonicband.org for more detailed information.

Leprechaun Loot Hike

Mattapoisett Land Trust is leading a Leprechaun Loot Hike again this year. After school on Friday, **March 15**, join MLT at the Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. parking area (Angelica Ave.) from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. We're setting off to find where the leprechauns have hidden their loot ahead of this St. Patrick's Day. We'll take a short hike through the woods searching for gold (of the chocolate variety). Please RSVP on our events page so the leprechauns know how much gold to hide: mattlandtrust.org/events. Dress accordingly for the weather and join us for some fun. Email manager@mattlandtrust.org with any questions.

Marion Garden Group

If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?" Peeking up through the crusty old sticks and leaves, the wonder of rebirth dazzles our senses. And gardeners throughout the world are looking for their gloves, rakes and trowels to help Mother Nature with her magic transformation.

The Marion Garden Group has not been idle these last few months. Enlightening, informative



programs have been held via Zoom. In-person meetings resume in March. Plans are underway for refurbishing the beautification projects around town. Window boxes, planters, urns and of course the horse trough will be tended by MGG teams of volunteers. Tree tagging continues too.

The popular Plant Sale will be held on **May 11** in Bicentennial Park. Annuals, perennials, cuttings and bulbs from local gardens plus seedlings nurtured over the winter will be for sale at the biannual event. For more information, please visit MGG website: www.mariongardengroup.org.

MNHM Coastal Explorations

The Marion Natural History Museum is offering two summer sessions of Coastal Explorations. During our weeklong programs, we explore some of Marion's unique natural areas, including shorelines, salt marshes, estuaries, riverbanks, ponds, swamps and bogs. These programs are designed for small groups of students entering grades 3-6. We meet from 9 - 12 in a variety of locations in town. Our first session is **July 8 to 12** and second session is **August 6 to 10,** and registrations are now open at the museum's website www.marionmuseum.org. Come join us for a week of summer fun exploring our natural areas.

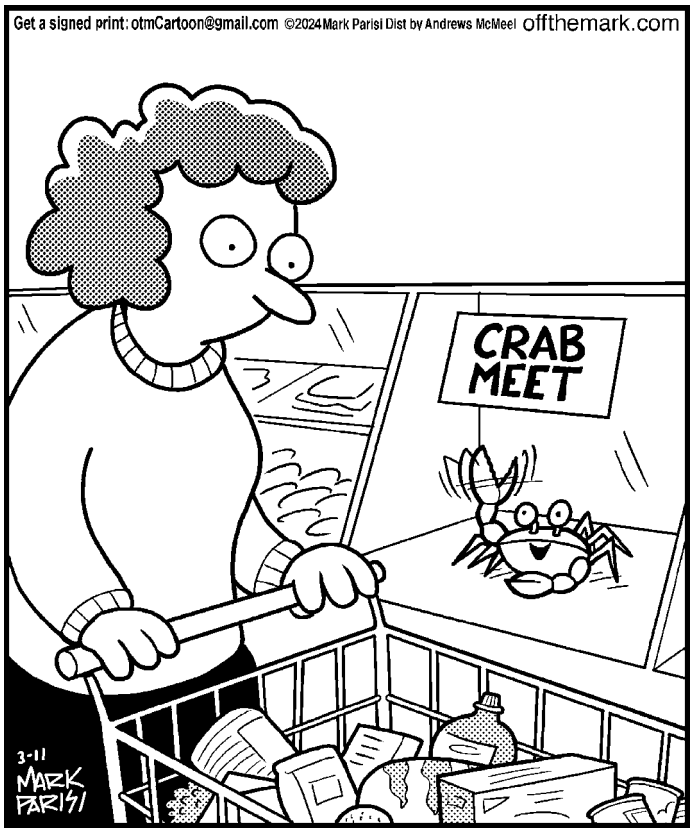
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off the mark

by Mark Parisi



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Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	March 14	11:59		5:32	5:17
Friday	March 15	12:27	12:55	6:25	6:01
Saturday	March 16	1:25	1:53	7:58	6:54
Sunday	March 17	2:25	2:53	9:52	8:05
Monday	March 18	3:31	3:57	11:00	10:02
Tuesday	March 19	4:43	5:04	11:51	11:20
Wednesday	March 20	5:49	6:03		12:27
Thursday	March 21	6:39	6:51	12:02	12:55
Friday	March 22	7:20	7:32	12:38	1:18
Saturday	March 23	7:55	8:09	1:14	1:42
Sunday	March 24	8:27	8:42	1:52	2:10
Monday	March 25	8:58	9:14	2:31	2:39
Tuesday	March 26	9:29	9:45	3:09	3:09
Wednesday	March 27	10:02	10:18	3:45	3:39
Thursday	March 28	10:38	10:53	4:18	4:10
Friday	March 29	11:18	11:34	4:51	4:42
Saturday	March 30		12:05	5:26	5:18
Sunday	March 31	12:23	12:57	6:08	6:03

Phases of the Moon		
	First Quarter	March 17th
	Full Moon	March 25th
	Last Quarter	April 1st
	New Moon	April 9th



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on ***I Found the Aardvark***

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

I	N	A	P	T	■	A	H	E	M	■	W	H	I	M	S	■	C	H	A	S	
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SCRAMBLERS

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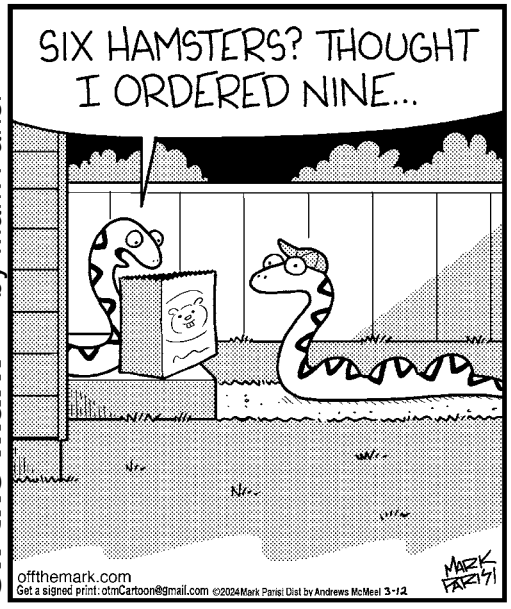
1. Signal 2. Worth;
3. Method; 4. Mirage

Today's Word

WEIGH

Sudoku Answer

9	2	4	7	6	1	8	5	3
5	8	1	2	3	9	6	4	7
3	6	7	5	8	4	1	9	2
2	4	8	1	7	3	9	6	5
1	5	6	9	2	8	7	3	4
7	3	9	4	5	6	2	8	1
4	1	3	8	9	2	5	7	6
6	9	5	3	1	7	4	2	8
8	7	2	6	4	5	3	1	9



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GROCERY, DAIRY & FROZEN



DiBruno Bros.
7.04 oz. Pkg.
Crostini Crackers
2/$7



Food Club
16 oz. Salted or Unsalted
Butter Quarters
$3.99



Skippy
15-16.3 oz. Selected
Peanut Butter
2/$5

Mott's - 64 oz. Selected Apple Juice **2/$6**

Kellogg's - 10.1-13.5 oz. Froot Loops or Frosted Flakes Cereal **$3.99**

Barilla - 9 oz. Oven-Ready Lasagne **2/$5**

Mott's - 24 oz. Selected Applesauce **$2.69**

Keogh's - 4.4 oz. Selected Irish Potato Chips **$3.99**

Snow's - 6.5 oz. Chopped or Minced Clams **2/$5**

Diamond of California 6-8 oz. Sliced Almonds or Selected Walnuts **$3.99**

Doritos, Cheetos, or Sunchips 3.625-5.125 oz. Selected Mini Snacks **$2.59**

Blue Diamond - 4.25 oz. Selected Almonds **2/$7**

Food Club - 12 oz. Selected Vegetables **4/$5**

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We're making room for some updates in our wine section. Don't miss out on this once a year opportunity!

All sale wines are labeled and priced to sell!

BAKERY

14 oz. Pkg.
J. Skinner Danish **$4.99**



CHEF PREPARED

Delicious & Made Fresh Daily!
Spicy Peanut Noodles **$10.99 lb**

Homemade Savory Pies to Go!

	Small	Large
Chicken Pot Pie	$12.99 ea	$18.99 ea
Shepherd's Pie	$12.99 ea	$17.99 ea

MEAT, DELI, PREPARED FOODS & CHEESE



Frierich
Certified Angus, Flat Cut
Corned Beef
$7.99 lb



Friends'
Premium Certified Black Angus
Strip Steak
$17.99 lb



Boar's Head
Deli Sliced, Imported
Swiss Cheese
$10.99 lb

DiBruno Bros. - 7.6 oz. Selected Cheese Spread **$6.99**

Friends' - Premium Certified Chuck Shoulder for London Broil **$5.99 lb**

Boar's Head - Deli Sliced Deluxe Ham **$9.99 lb**

Allen's Rotisserie Chicken **$9.99 ea**

President - 8 oz. Pkg. Pub Cheese **$5.99**

Rondelé
8 oz. Pkg. Cheddar & Port Wine Cheese **$5.99**



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BLOCKBUSTER SAVINGS!

al fresco
11 oz. Pkg. Selected
Chicken Sausages
$2.98



Friends' Store Baked
Ham
$9.99 lb



Fresh Baked
16 oz. Loaf
Irish Soda Bread
$4.99



Barilla
12-16 oz. Selected
(Excludes Protein+ & Gluten Free)
Pasta
$1.18
Limit 6



Planet Oat
32-52 oz. Selected
Creamer or
Oatmilk
$2.99



Friendly's
48 oz. Selected
Ice Cream
$4.99



QUALITY PRODUCE



Peelz - 3 lb. Bag California
Mandarins . BLOCKBUSTER PRICE! **$3.88**

Pint
Blueberries **$3.99**

6 oz. Pkg.
Blackberries **$2.99**

Fresh
Broccoli Crowns **$1.99 lb**

Great for Stuffing!
Green Peppers **$1.99 lb**

Bunch
Celery **$1.99 ea**

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